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### Use this page to record important information about your unit.

Unit Model No.	
Unit Serial No.	
Engine Model No.	
Engine Serial No.	
Generator Model No.	
Generator Serial No.	

Record the information found on your unit data label on this page. See *Unit Serial Number Locations*.

Engine and generator serial numbers are located on data plates affixed to the engine and generator, respectively. When contacting a Generac Mobile Authorized Service Dealer (GMASD) about parts and service, always provide the unit model and serial number.

**Operation and Maintenance:** Proper maintenance and care of the unit ensures a minimum number of problems and keeps operating expenses at a minimum. It is the operator's responsibility to perform all safety checks, to verify that all maintenance for safe operation is performed promptly, and to have the equipment checked periodically by a GMASD. Normal maintenance, service and replacement of parts are the responsibility of the owner or operator and, as such, are not considered defects in materials or workmanship within the terms of the warranty. Individual operating habits and usage may contribute to the need for additional maintenance or service.

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**CANCER AND REPRODUCTIVE HARM** 

www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.

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Breathing diesel engine exhaust exposes you to chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm.

- Always start and operate the engine in a well-ventilated area.
- If in an enclosed area, vent the exhaust to the outside.
- Do not modify or tamper with the exhaust system.

• Do not idle the engine except as necessary. For more information go to

www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/diesel. (000394)

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## Introduction

Thank you for purchasing a Generac Mobile product. This unit has been designed to provide high performance, efficient operation, and years of use when maintained properly.

The information in this manual is accurate based on products produced at the time of publication. The manufacturer reserves the right to make technical updates, corrections, and product revisions at any time without notice.

### **Read This Manual Thoroughly**



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Consult Manual. Read and understand manual completely before using product. Failure to completely understand manual and product could result in death or serious injury. (000100a)

If any section of the manual is not understood, contact your nearest GMASD, or contact Generac Mobile at 1-800-926-9768, or Generac Mobile Technical Service at 1-800-926-9768 or *www.generacmobileproducts.com* with any questions or concerns.

The owner is responsible for proper maintenance and safe use of the equipment. Comply with regulations the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has established, or with equivalent standards. Also, verify that the unit is applied, used, and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and recommendations. Do nothing that might alter safe application/ usage and render the unit in noncompliance with the aforementioned codes, standards, laws, and regulations.

Save these instructions for future reference. This manual contains important instructions for the unit that should be followed during setup, operation and maintenance of the unit and battery. ALWAYS supply this manual to any individual that will use this machine.

### How to Obtain Service

When the unit requires servicing or repairs, contact a GMASD for assistance. Service technicians are factorytrained and are capable of handling all service needs. For assistance locating a dealer, go to *https://www.gener-acmobileproducts.com/parts-service/find-service*.

When contacting a GMASD about parts and service, always supply the complete model and serial number of the unit as given on the data decal located on the unit. Record the model and serial numbers in the spaces provided on the front cover of this manual.

# **Safety Rules**

The manufacturer cannot anticipate every possible circumstance that might involve a hazard. The warnings in this manual, and on tags and decals affixed to the unit are, therefore, not all inclusive. If using a procedure, work method or operating technique that the manufacturer does not specifically recommend, verify that it is safe for others. Also make sure the procedure, work method or operating technique utilized does not render the equipment unsafe.

# Safety Symbols and Meanings

Throughout this publication, and on tags and decals affixed to the unit, DANGER, WARNING, CAUTION and NOTE blocks are used to alert personnel to special instructions about a particular operation that may be hazardous if performed incorrectly or carelessly. Observe them carefully. Their definitions are as follows:

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Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

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Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

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Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

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**NOTE:** Notes contain additional information important to a procedure and will be found within the regular text of this manual.

These safety alerts cannot eliminate the hazards that they indicate. Common sense and strict compliance with the special instructions while performing the action or service are essential to preventing accidents.

# **General Hazards**



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Asphyxiation. Running engines produce carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. Carbon monoxide, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

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# **DANGER**

Asphyxiation. Do not operate unit without a properly functioning exhaust system. Doing so will result in death or serious injury.

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Hearing Loss. Hearing protection is recommended when using this machine. Failure to wear hearing protection could result in permanant hearing loss. (000107)



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Hot Surfaces. When operating machine, do not touch hot surfaces. Keep machine away from combustibles during use. Hot surfaces could result in severe burns or fire. (000108)



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Moving Parts. Keep clothing, hair, and appendages away from moving parts. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury.

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Risk of burns. Allow engine to cool before draining oil or coolant. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury.

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Equipment damage. Only qualified service personnel may install, operate, and maintain this equipment. Failure to follow proper installation requirements could result in death, serious injury, and equipment or property damage. (000182a)

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Loss of life. This product is not intended to be used in a critical life support application. Failure to adhere to this warning could result in death or serious injury. (000209b)

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Risk of injury. Do not operate or service this machine if not fully alert. Fatigue can impair the ability to operate or service this equipment and could result in death or serious injury. (000215a)

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Equipment or property damage. Do not block air intake or restrict proper air flow. Doing so could result in unsafe operation or damage to unit.

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# Trailer Hazards

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Personal injury. Do not operate unit during transport. Doing so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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## WARNING

Personal injury. Trailer must be securely coupled to the hitch with the chains correctly attached. Uncoupled or unchained towing could result in death or serious injury.

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Crushing hazard. Verify unit is properly secured and on level ground. An unsecured unit can suddenly roll or move, causing death or serious injury.

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Property or Equipment Damage. Tighten wheel lug nuts after first 50 miles to factory specifications. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, property or equipment damage. (000235)

# **Electrical Hazards**



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Electrocution. Water contact with a power source, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

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Electrocution. Turn utility supply OFF before working on utility connections of the transfer switch. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000123)



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Electrocution. Contact with bare wires, terminals, and connections while generator is running will result in death or serious injury.

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Electrocution. In the event of electrical accident, immediately shut power OFF. Use non-conductive implements to free victim from live conductor. Apply first aid and get medical help. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000145)



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Electrocution. Never connect this unit to the electrical system of any building unless a licensed electrician has installed an approved transfer switch. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury.

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Electrocution. Verify electrical system is properly grounded before applying power. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000152)



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Electrical shock. Disconnect battery ground terminal before working on battery or battery wires. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury. (000164)

# **Lifting Hazards**



# **A**WARNING

Personal injury. Failure to properly connect lifting cables, chains, or straps could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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Personal Injury. Do not use lifting hook if there are signs of damage or corrosion. Doing so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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# WARNING

Personal Injury. Do not use lifting hook other than as directed. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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Personal Injury. Verify all fasteners are properly tightened prior to lifting unit. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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# **Explosion and Fire Hazards**



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Risk of Fire. Hot surfaces could ignite combustibles, resulting in fire. Fire could result in death or serious injury.

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Risk of Fire. Unit must be positioned in a manner that prevents combustible material accumulation underneath. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury. (000147)

# **Battery Hazards**



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Electrocution. Do not wear jewelry while working on this equipment. Doing so will result in death or serious injury.

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Explosion. Batteries emit explosive gases while charging. Keep fire and spark away. Wear protective gear when working with batteries. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury.

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Explosion. Do not dispose of batteries in a fire. Batteries are explosive. Electrolyte solution can cause burns and blindness. If electrolyte contacts skin or eyes, flush with water and seek immediate medical attention. (000162)



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Risk of burn. Do not open or mutilate batteries. Batteries contain electrolyte solution which can cause burns and blindness. If electrolyte contacts skin or eyes, flush with water and seek immediate medical attention. (000163a)

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Environmental Hazard. Always recycle batteries at an official recycling center in accordance with all local laws and regulations. Failure to do so could result in environmental damage, death, or serious injury. (000228)

Always recycle batteries in accordance with local laws and regulations. Contact your local solid waste collection site or recycling facility to obtain information on local recycling processes. For more information on battery recycling, visit the Battery Council International website at: http://batterycouncil.org.

# **Fuel Hazards**



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Explosion and Fire. Fuel and vapors are extremely flammable and explosive. Add fuel in a well ventilated area. Keep fire and spark away. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000105)



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Explosion and Fire. Fuel and vapors are extremely flammable and explosive. Keep fire and spark away. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000168)



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Risk of fire. Allow fuel spills to completely dry before starting engine. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury.

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Explosion and fire. Fuel and vapors are extremely flammable and explosive. No leakage of fuel is permitted. Keep fire and spark away. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000192)



## WARNING

Fire risk. Fuel and vapors are extremely flammable. Do not operate indoors. Doing so could result in death, serious injury, or property or equipment damage. (000281)



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Explosion and Fire. Do not smoke while refueling unit. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, or property or equipment damage. (000284a)

- DO NOT fill fuel tank while the engine is running.
- **DO NOT** fill fuel tank near an open flame, while smoking, or while engine is running.
- **DO NOT** fill tank in an enclosed area with poor ventilation.
- **DO NOT** operate with the fuel tank cap loose or missing.

# **Engine Safety**

Internal combustion engines present special hazards during operation and fueling. Failure to follow the safety guidelines described below could result in severe injury or death. Read and fo0llow all safety alerts described in the engine operator's manual. A copy of this manual was supplied with the unit when it was shipped from the factory.



### WARNING

Risk of fire. Never operate engine without the air cleaner installed. Operating engine without the air cleaner could result in death or serious injury. (000249)

- **DO NOT** run engine indoors or in an area with poor ventilation. Verify engine exhaust cannot seep into closed rooms or ventilation equipment.
- **DO NOT** clean air filter with gasoline or other types of low flash point solvents.
- **DO NOT** operate the unit without a functional exhaust system.
- Shut the engine down if any of the following conditions exist during operation:
  - Abnormal change in engine speed.
  - Loss of electrical output.
  - Equipment connected to the unit overheats.
  - · Sparking occurs.
  - Engine misfires or there is excessive engine/ generator vibration.
  - Protective covers are loose or missing.

# **Operating Safety**

# Positioning the Unit

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Crushing hazard. Verify unit is properly secured and on level ground. An unsecured unit can suddenly roll or move, causing death or serious injury.

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- The area immediately surrounding the unit should be dry, clean, and free of debris.
- If the unit is equipped with a frame grounding stud, follow any local, state, and National Electrical Code (NEC) guidelines when connecting.

### Starting the Unit



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Electrocution. DO NOT use the unit if electrical cord is cut or worn through. Doing so will result in death or serious injury.

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• DO NOT start a unit in need of repair.

# **Towing Safety**

Towing a trailer requires care. Both the trailer and vehicle must be in good condition and securely fastened to each other to reduce the possibility of an accident. Some states require that large trailers be registered and licensed. Contact your local Department of Transportation office to check on license requirements for your particular unit.

### **Hitch and Coupling**

- Verify the hitch and coupling on the towing vehicle are rated equal to, or greater than, the trailer's Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR).
- Verify the trailer hitch and the coupling are compatible. Verify the coupling is securely fastened to the vehicle.
- **DO NOT** tow trailer using defective parts. Inspect the hitch and coupling for wear or damage.
- Connect safety chains in a crossing pattern under the tongue.
- Before towing the trailer, verify the weight of the trailer is equal across all tires. On trailers with adjustable height hitches, adjust the angle of the trailer tongue to keep the trailer as level as possible.

### Safe Towing Techniques

- Practice turning, stopping and backing up in an area away from heavy traffic prior to transporting the unit.
- Maximum recommended speed for highway towing is 45 mph (72 km/h). Recommended off-road towing speed is 10 mph (16 km/h) or less, depending on terrain.
- When towing, maintain extra space between vehicles and avoid soft shoulders, curbs and sudden lane changes.

# **Reporting Trailer Safety Defects**

If you believe your trailer has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Generac Mobile.

If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation; and if it finds that a safety defect exists in a group of vehicles, it may order a recall and remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in an individual problem between you, your GMASD, or Generac Mobile.

To contact NHTSA, you may either call the Auto Safety Hotline toll-free at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY:1-800-424-9153), go to *http://www.safercar.gov*; or write to:

Administrator NHTSA 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E. Washington, DC 20590

You can also obtain other information about motor vehicle safety from *http://www.safercar.gov*.

# Safety and Operating Decals

This unit features numerous safety and operating decals. These decals provide important operating instructions and warn of dangers and hazards. The following diagrams illustrate decal locations and descriptions. Replace any missing or hard-to-read decals and use care when washing or cleaning the unit. Decal part numbers can be found in the parts manual at *www.generacmobileproducts.com.* 

ID	Description	ID	Description
1	Owner's Manual	18	Hot Surface Warning: Do Not Remove Grille
2	Coolant Drain	19 Terminal Connections (Voltage Selector Switch)*	
3	Engine Oil	20	Terminal Connections (Link Board)**
4	Tie-Down Location	21	Battery Disconnect Caution (if equipped)
5	Forklift Pocket	22	Electrical Backfeed Danger
6	Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) Only	23	Cam Lock Connections
7	Diesel Fuel	24	Remote Start Terminal Connections
8	Ultra Low Sulfur Diesel	25	Ground Output Connection
9	See Manual	26 Neutral	
10	Lifting Point	27 Connection Terminal Lugs	
11	Open Upper Door First to Access Connections	28 Electrical Output	
12	Do Not Open Door with Engine Running	29 Neutral Bonded to Frame	
13	Electric Shock Hazard	30	Towing Instructions
14	Radiator, Entanglement, Cutting, Hot Surface Hazard	31 Starting and Stopping Generator	
15	Hot Coolant Under Pressure, Hot Surface	32 Consult Manual	
16	Generator Can Start Automatically	33	Buttons Below Controller
17	Electrical Ground	34	Voltage Regulation
		35	Hot Surface

\* Standard in MDG150/175; optional in MDG250.

\*\* Equipped in MDG250; not equipped in MDG150/175.

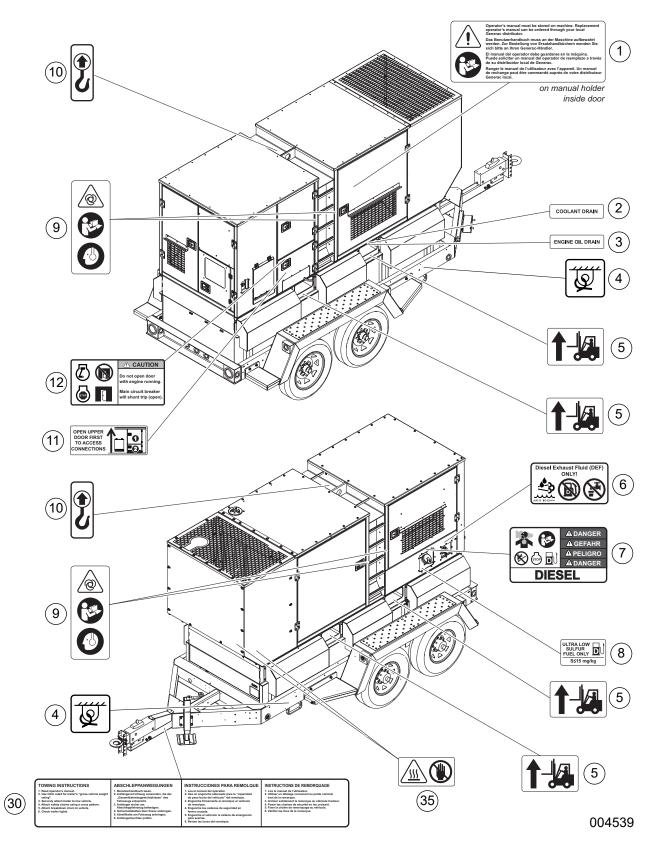


Figure 1-1. Exterior Decals

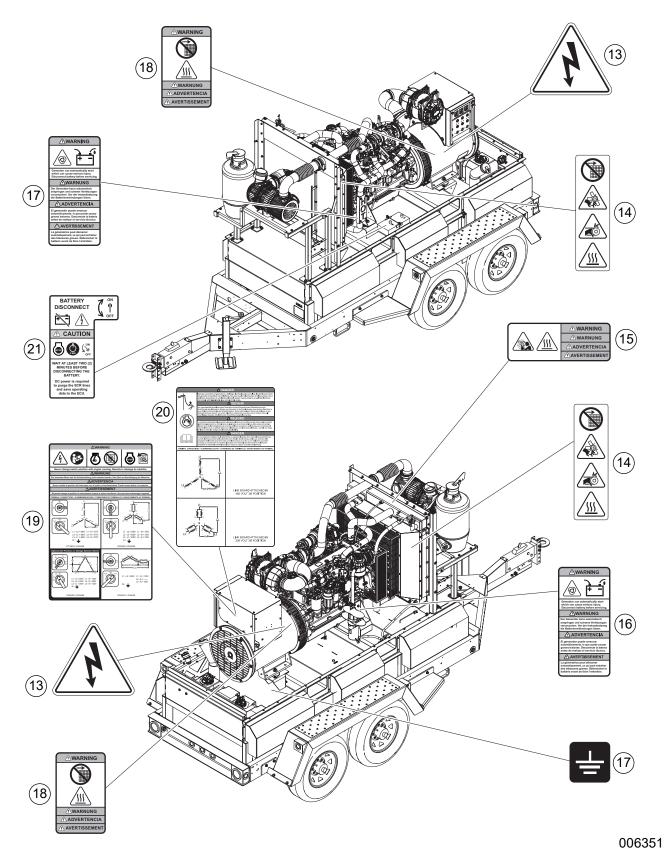


Figure 1-2. Interior Decals

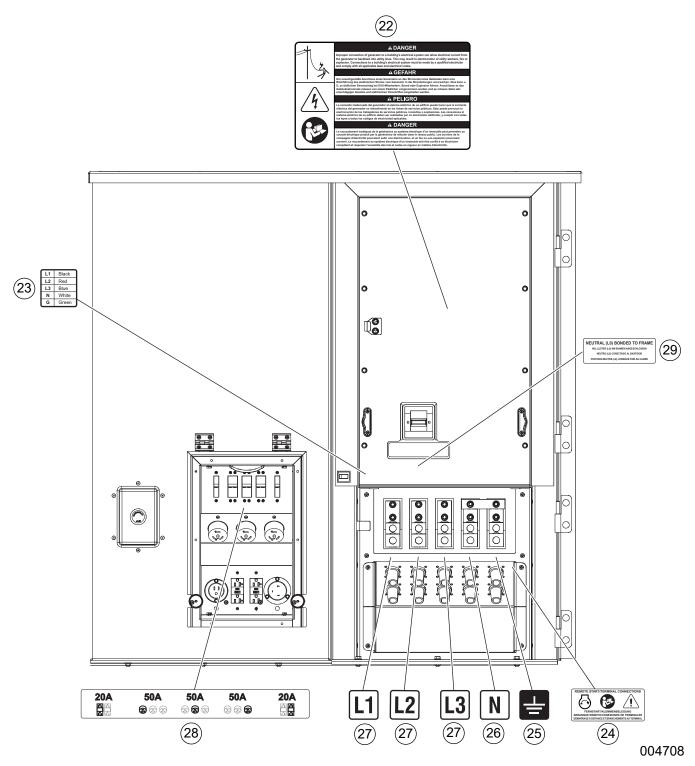


Figure 1-3. Connection Panel Decals

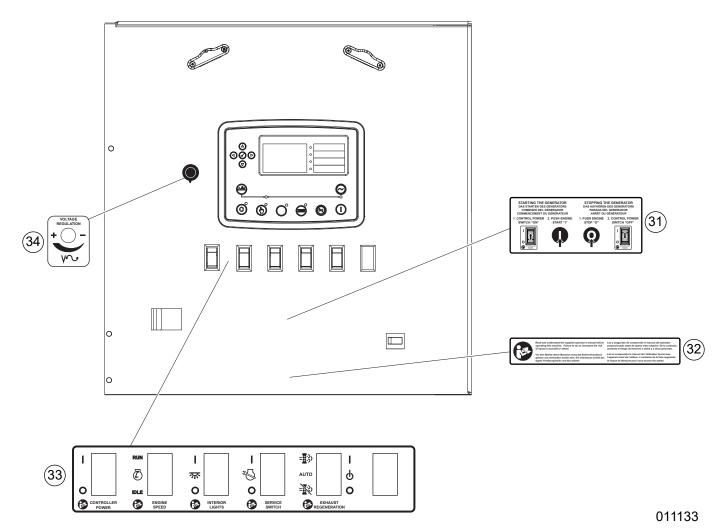


Figure 1-4. Control Panel Decals

# Specifications

Description	UOM	MDG150DF4	MDG175DF4	MDG250DF4
Engine				
Make (Model)	—	John Deere <sup>®</sup>	John Deere	John Deere
Model	_	6068HFG05	6068HFG05	6068HFG06
Power Output—Prime	hp (kW)	196 (146)	235 (175)	295 (220)
Operating Speed	rpm 1,800		1,800	1,800
Fuel Consumption—100% Prime	gph (Lph) 8.7 (33.3)		10.2 (38.6)	13.9 (52.8)
Fuel Consumption—75% Prime	gph (Lph)	7.1 (26.8)	8.4 (31.8)	10.4 (39.3)
Fuel Consumption—50% Prime	gph (Lph)	<b>•</b> •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		7.2 (27.4)
DEF Consumption—100% Prime	gph (Lph)	0.34 (1.3)	0.36 (1.4)	0.45 (1.7)
EPA Certification	Tier	4 Final	4 Final	4 Final
Battery—Group Number	_	31	31	31
Battery—Voltage (Quantity Of Batteries)	VDC (qty)	12 (1)	12 (1)	12 (1)
Battery—Rating	CCA	1,000	1,000	1,000
Capacities	I	1	1	
Standard Fuel Tank—Total	gal (L)	358 (1,355)	358 (1,355)	358 (1,355)
Standard Fuel Tank—Usable	gal (L)	343 (1,297)	343 (1,297)	343 (1,297)
Optional Fuel Tank—Total	gal (L)	529 (2,002)	529 (2,002)	529 (2,002)
Optional Fuel Tank—Usable	gal (L)	513 (1,914)	513 (1,914)	513 (1,914)
DEF Tank—Total	gal (L)	34.4 (130.4)	34.4 (130.4)	34.4 (130.4)
DEF Tank—Usable	gal (L)	28 (106)	28 (106)	28 (106)
Coolant—Including Engine	gal (L)	16.7 (63.2)	16.7 (63.2)	16.7 (63.2)
Oil—Including Filter	gal (L)	8.6 (32.5)	8.6 (32.5)	8.6 (32.5)
Maximum Run Time—Standard Fuel Tank	hr	39.4	33.6	24.7
Maximum Run Time—Optional Fuel Tank	hr	58.9	50.3	36.9
Generator	•		I	
Standard Generator				
Make	_	Marathon Electric <sup>®</sup>	Marathon Electric	Marathon Electric
Model		363CSL1607	431CSL6202	431CSL6206
Frequency	Hz	60	60	60
Power Output:				
3Ø Standby	kW (kVA)	144 (180)	160 (200)	220 (275)
480 V	A	218	240	331
208 V	A	503	555	764
3Ø Prime	kW (kVA)	120 (150)	140 (175)	200 (250)
480 V	A	180	210	301
208 V	A	416	486	694
1Ø Standby	kW (kVA)	95 (95)	120 (120)	165 (165)
240 V	A	395	500	687
1Ø Prime	kW (kVA)	95 (95)	120 (120)	165 (165)
240 V	A	395	500	687

Specifications continued on next page.

Description	UOM	MDG150DF4	MDG175DF4	MDG250DF4	
Optional SUPERSTART <sup>®</sup> Generator (I	f Equipped)				
Make	_	Marathon Electric	Marathon Electric	Marathon Electric	
Model	lodel 4		432CSL6212	433CSL6216	
Frequency	Hz	60	60	60	
Power Output:			1		
3Ø Standby	kW (kVA)	144 (180)	160 (220)	220 (275)	
480 V	A	218	240	331	
208 V	A	503	555	764	
3Ø Prime	kW (kVA)	120 (150)	140 (175)	200 (250)	
480 V	A	180	210	301	
208 V	A	416	486	694	
1Ø Standby	kW (kVA)	120 (120)	140 (140)	200 (200)	
240 V	A	500	583	833	
1Ø Prime	kW (kVA)	120 (120)	140 (140)	200 (200)	
240 V	A	500	583	833	
Optional VFLEX Generator (If Equipp	ed)				
Make		Marathon Electric	Marathon Electric	Marathon Electric	
Model		431PSL6611	431PSL6612	432PSL6613	
Frequency	Hz	60	60	60	
Power Output:					
3Ø Standby	kW (kVA)	144 (180)	160 (200)	220 (275)	
480 V	A (	218	240	331	
208 V	Α	503	555	764	
3Ø Prime	kW (kVA)	120 (150)	140 (175)	200 (250)	
480 V	A	180	210	301	
208 V	A	416	486	694	
1Ø Standby	kW (kVA)	73 (73)	90 (90)	109 (109)	
240 V	A	304	375	454	
1Ø Prime	kW (kVA)	73 (73)	90 (90)	109 (109)	
240 V	A	304	375	454	
AC Distribution		001	0.0	101	
Circuit Breaker Size	A	600	700	900	
Trailer			100		
Hitch—Standard	Size, Type	3 in (76.2 mm), Ring	3 in (76.2 mm), Ring	3 in (76.2 mm), Ring	
Maximum Tire Pressure	psi (kPA)	125 (862)	125 (862)	125 (862)	
Unit Weight		120 (002)	120 (002)	120 (002)	
Equipped With Standard Fuel Tank					
Dry—Skid Mounted	lb (kg)	6,219 (2,820)	6,480 (2,939)	6,898 (3,129)	
Operating—Skid Mounted	lb (kg)	9,075 (4,116)	9,335 (4,234)	9,411 (4,269)	
Dry —Trailer Mounted	lb (kg)	8,184 (3,712)	8,444 (3,830)	8,863 (4,020)	
Operating—Trailer Mounted	lb (kg)	11,040 (5,007)	11,300 (5,125)	11,376 (5,160)	
Equipped With Optional Fuel Tank		11,040 (0,007)	11,000 (0,120)	11,010 (0,100)	
Dry—Skid Mounted	lb (kg)	6,479 (2,938)	6,740 (3,057)	7,158 (3,246)	
Operating—Skid Mounted	lb (kg)	10,033 (4,550)	10,294 (4,669)	10,712 (4,858)	
Dry—Trailer Mounted	lb (kg)	8,444 (3,830)	8,705 (3,948)	9,123 (4,138)	
Operating—Trailer Mounted	lb (kg)	11,998 (5,442)	12,259 (5,560)	12,677 (5,750)	
Specifications subject to change without notice.	in (vA)	11,330 (3,442)	12,209 (0,000)	12,011 (3,130)	

Specifications subject to change without notice.

# **Unit Dimensions**

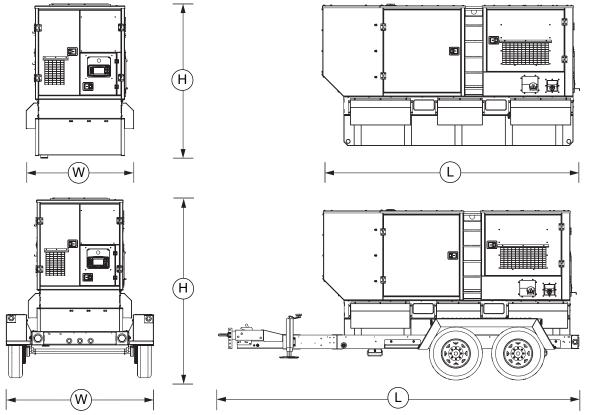


Figure 2-1. Unit Dimensions

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Equipped With Standard Fuel Tank						
Skid Mounted	145 in (3.7 m)	60 in (1.5 m)	85 in (2.2 m)			
Trailer Mounted	208 in (5.3 m)	86 in (2.2 m)	104 in (2.6 m)			
Equipped With Optional Fuel Tank						
Skid Mounted	145 in (3.7 m)	60 in (1.5 m)	92 in (2.3 m)			
Trailer Mounted	208 in (5.3 m)	86 in (2.2 m)	111 in (2.8 m)			

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# **Unit and Serial Number Locations**

See *Figure 2-2* to locate the unit ID tag (A) and vehicle identification number (VIN) tag (B). Important information such as the unit model number, serial number, VIN, and tire loading information are listed on the tags. Record the information from the tags in the event the tags are lost or damaged. This information may be needed when ordering parts or requesting assistance.

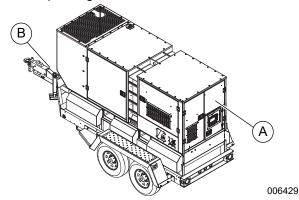


Figure 2-2. Unit and Serial Number Locations

# **Altitude and Temperature Limitations**

All units are subject to derating for altitude and ambient air temperature. Derating reduces available power for operating tools and accessories connected to the outlets.

- Altitude: This unit provides full prime power up to an altitude of 10,000 ft (3,048 m). There is a limitation in power output of 5% if the unit is operated 1,000 ft (305 m) above the maximum altitude indicated.
- Air Temperature: The maximum air temperature at which the unit can provide full prime power is defined in the table below. If the unit is operated beyond this limit at full power, the coolant temperature will exceed the maximum allowable limit of 235 °F (113 °C) and cause the engine to shut down.

	Maximum Alt	Maximum Air	
Model	Prime Power	Standby Power	Temperature —°F (°C)
MDG250	10,000 (3,048)	10,000 (3,048)	108 (42)
MDG175	10,000 (3,048)	4,500 (1,371)	120 (49)
MDG150	10,000 (3,048)	10,000 (3,048)	120 (49)

**NOTE:** For information on generator derating, see the OEM generator manual included with the unit.

# **Engine Oil Recommendations**

The engine oil should be serviced in accordance with the recommendations of this manual to maintain the product warranty.

The engine has been filled with factory engine oil of a grade recommended by the engine supplier.

Use a high quality detergent oil with an appropriate classification and viscosity for the engine type and ambient temperature conditions. Contact a GMASD or refer to the applicable engine service manual for more information.

### **Recommended Oil Types**

- Plus-50™ Oils: John Deere Plus-50, John Deere Plus-50 II
- Other Oils: John Deere Torq-Gard™ Supreme, API CJ-4, API CI-4 PLUS, API CI-4, API CH-4, ACEA E9, ACEA E7, ACEA E6, ACEA E5, ACEA E4

**NOTE:** The 500 hour extended oil and filter change interval is only allowed if all of the following conditions are met:

- Use of John Deere Plus-50™ II or John Deere Plus-50™ oil.
- Use of an approved John Deere oil filter.

# **Engine Coolant Recommendations**



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Risk of poisoning. Do not use mouth to siphon coolant. Doing so will result in death or serious injury.

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Risk of burns. Do not open coolant system until engine has completely cooled. Doing so could result in serious injury.

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Risk of overheating. Do not use any chromate base rust inhibitor with propylene glycol base antifreeze, boosters, or additives. Doing so will cause overheating and possible equipment damage. (000165a)

Contact a GMASD or refer to the applicable engine service manual for engine coolant recommendations. See table below for mixtures:

Ambient Temperature— °F (°C)	-12 (-24)	-34 (-36)	-54 (-48)	-90 (-67)
Water (% Volume)	50	40	40	40
Anitfreeze (% Volume)	50	60	60	60

NOTE: Maximum freeze protection is 60%.

## Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) Specifications

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Equipment damage. Do not alter DEF. Use approved DEF only. Failure to do so could cause equipment damage.

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# **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Unit does not ship from factory with DEF in tank.

Diesel exhaust fluid is a high-purity liquid that is injected into the exhaust system of SCR engines. Maintaining the purity of DEF is important to avoiding malfunctions in the SCR system. Engines requiring DEF shall use a quality product that meets the requirements for Aqueous Urea Solution 32 (AUS 32) according to ISO 22241-1. The use of John Deere DEF is recommended.

If John Deere DEF is not available, use DEF certified by the American Petroleum Institute (API) Diesel Exhaust Fluid Certification Program, or by the AdBlue™ Diesel Exhaust Fluid Certification program. Look for the API certification symbol or the AdBlue name on the container.

**NOTE:** Do not create DEF by mixing agricultural grade urea with water. Do not use additives, as this can damage the after treatment system.

NOTE: See Maintenance for more information on DEF.

### **DEF Warning**

IMPORTANT NOTE: DEF can be corrosive to material such as steel, iron, zinc, nickel, copper, aluminum, and magnesium. The recommended material for transport and storage of DEF is made of polyethylene, polypropylene, or stainless steel. These are not all-inclusive lists. For additional information, see ISO 22241 or contact a DEF supplier.

# **Component Locations**

### Exterior

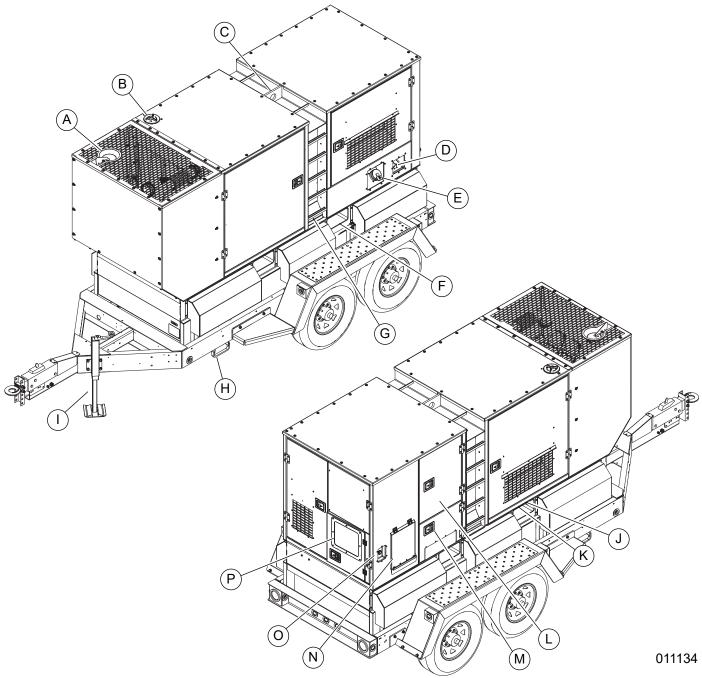


Figure 2-3. Exterior Components

- A Engine exhaust
- B Coolant fill port
- **C** Unit lift point
- D DEF fill port
- E Fuel fill port
- F Forklift pocket
- G Ladder (2 locations)
- H Tie-down point (4 locations)

- I Tongue jack
- J Coolant drain
- **K** Engine oil drain
- L Main circuit breaker (behind door)
- M Lugs (behind door)
- N Receptacles (behind door)
- O Emergency stop switch
- P Control panel (behind door)

### Interior

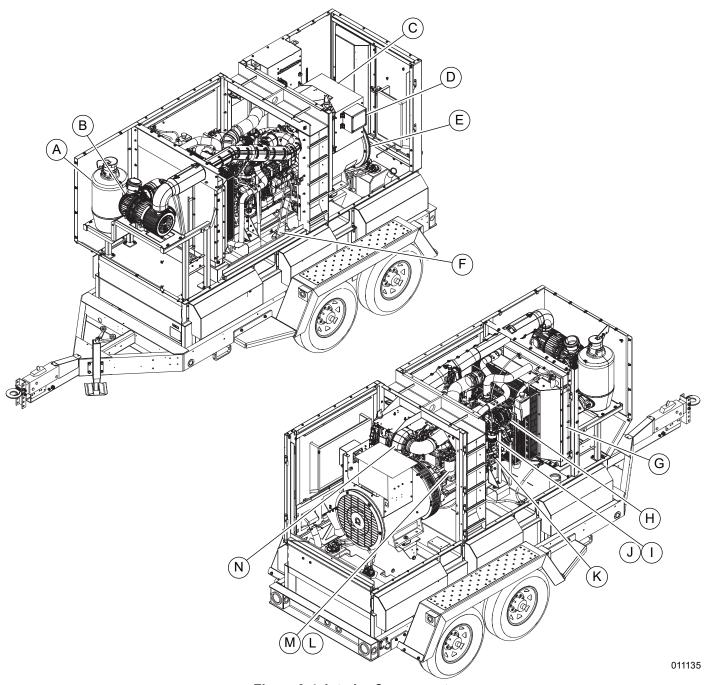


Figure 2-4. Interior Components

- A Selective catalytic reduction (SCR) module
- **B** Diesel oxidation catalyst (DOC)
- **C** Generator box
- **D** Voltage selection switch (behind door)
- E Generator
- F Battery
- G Radiator

- H Engine alternator
- I Oil vapor recovery (OVR) canister
- J Oil filter—next to OVR canister
- K Oil level indicator (dipstick)
- L Primary fuel filter—next to secondary fuel filter
- M Secondary fuel filter
- N Air filter

### **Connection Panel**

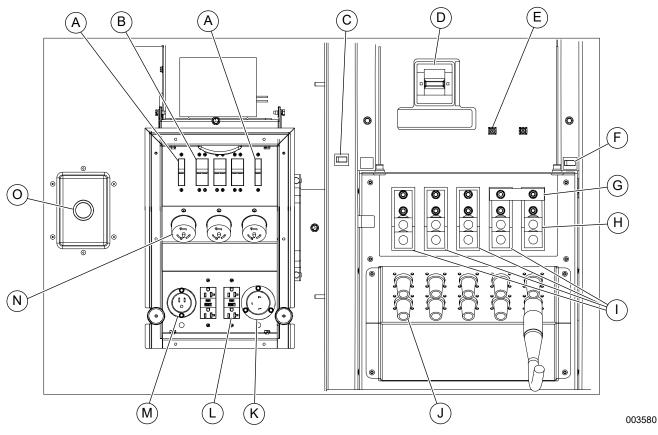


Figure 2-5. Connection Panel Components

- A 20 A circuit breakers
- B 50 A circuit breaker (3 locations)
- **C** Lug door safety switch
- D Main circuit breaker
- E Paralleling CAN receptacle (2 locations) (if equipped)
- F Breaker panel switch
- G Neutral bonding bar
- H Ground terminal

- I Terminal lugs
- J Cam lock receptacle (10 locations) (if equipped)
- K Engine block heater plug (if equipped)
- L 120 V, GFCI receptacle (2 locations)
- M Battery charger plug (if equipped)
- N 120/240 V, twist-lock receptacle (3 locations)
- O Emergency stop switch

### **Control Panel**

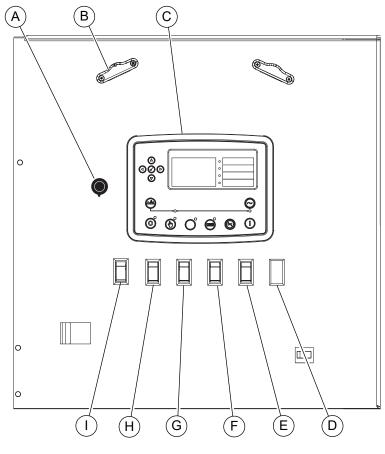


Figure 2-6. Control Panel

- A Fine voltage potentiometer
- B Panel light (2 locations)
- C Genset controller
- D [not used]
- E Exhaust regeneration switch

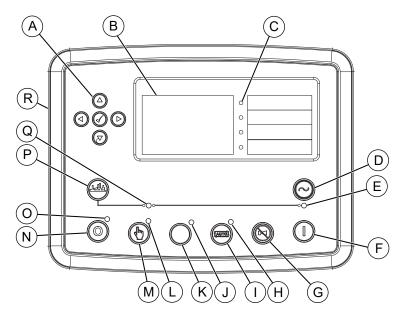
- F Service switch
- G Panel lights switch
- H Engine speed switch
- I Controller power switch

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# **Genset Controller**

See *Figure 2-7*. The genset controller displays real-time operational data, monitors functions of the generator and engine, shuts down the unit for certain fault conditions, displays fault data, and retains up to 250 unit performance events.

The controller is programmable. It can automatically start and stop the genset according to schedule, fault condition, or load demand.



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Figure 2-7. Genset Controller—Deep Sea<sup>®</sup> Model DSE7310 MKII

- A Navigation buttons
- B Screen
- C Indicator LED (4 locations)
- **D** Transfer to Generator button
- E Generator Available LED
- F Engine START button
- **G** Alarm Mute and Lamp Test button
- H AUTO Mode LED
- I AUTO Mode button

- J Positive air shutoff (PAS) valve test switch LED (if equipped)
- **K** PAS valve test switch (if equipped)
- L MANUAL Mode LED
- M MANUAL Mode button
- N Engine STOP/RESET Mode button
- O Engine STOP/RESET Mode LED
- P Open Generator button
- **Q** Open Generator LED
- R RS232 serial port (not shown—controller backside)

### (A) Navigation Buttons

See Figure 2-8. Used to navigate the operator pages.

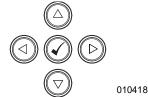


Figure 2-8. Navigation Buttons

Navigate the operator pages as follows.

- View next
- View previous
- ▲ Scroll up current
- Scroll down current
- ✓ Select highlighted item

### (B) Controller Screen

The controller screen displays various operational data for unit monitoring, diagnosing, and troubleshooting. See *Operator Pages* for more information.

### (C) Indicator LEDs

See *Figure 2-9*. Each LED indicates a condition that impedes normal unit function.

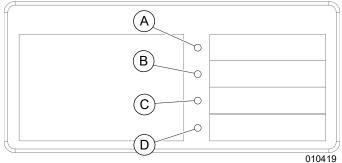


Figure 2-9. Indicator LEDs

If an indicator LED is illuminated, resolve the condition to restore normal unit function, as described in table below.

**NOTE:** When a condition is resolved, the corresponding indicator LED switches off.

- A Low Load indicator LED.
  - Indicates genset has operated at less than 30% capacity for more than 15 minutes.
  - Resolve by increasing electrical load. If unable to operate genset at more than 30% load, use a smaller generator.
- B Lug Door Open indicator LED.
  - Indicates lug-box door is open.
  - Resolve by closing lug-box door. If condition remains unresolved, inspect lug-box door safety switch for proper operation.

- C Emergency Stop indicator LED.
  - Indicates Emergency Stop switch is active (pushed in).
  - Resolve by deactivating (pulling out) Emergency Stop switch.
- D Shutdown indicator LED.
  - Indicates a shutdown alarm is present.
  - Resolve by resolving shutdown condition.

**NOTE:** If unable to resolve a condition as recommended, contact a GMASD.

### (D) Transfer to Generator Button

Only applies to MANUAL mode.

Controls operation of generator load switch, when the generator is available.

**NOTE:** In units equipped with a manual breaker, this function is not available.

Status is indicated by the Close Generator LED.

### (E) Close Generator LED

- When illuminated, cam locks and lugs are enabled.
- When not illuminated, cam locks and lugs are disabled.

### (F) Engine Start Button

When STOP/RESET mode is active, the Engine Start button switches on the engine ECU but does not start the engine. Uses in this context are to check status of the CAN communication and to prime the engine.

When MANUAL mode is active, the Engine Start button starts the generator.

**NOTE:** In AUTO or STOP mode, the Engine Start button activates the ECU.

### (G) Alarm Mute and Lamp Test Button

Stops the audible alarm and illuminates functional controller LEDs.

To test the LEDs, press and hold button. All LEDs illuminate. When button is released, the LEDs switch off.

**NOTE:** If an LED does not illuminate when button is pushed, the LED is not functioning.

### (H) AUTO Mode LED

- When illuminated, AUTO mode is active.
- When not illuminated, AUTO mode is not active.

### (I) AUTO Mode Button

Switches the mode to AUTO. See **Controller Modes** for important guidelines.

Status is indicated by the AUTO Mode LED.

### (J) PAS valve test switch LED (if equipped)

When illuminated, PAS test is in progress.

### (K) PAS valve test switch (if equipped)

When PAS test is active, the PAS is cycled to verify function.

### (L) MANUAL Mode LED

- When illuminated, MANUAL mode is active.
- When not illuminated, MANUAL mode is not active.

### (M) MANUAL Mode Button

Switches the mode to MANUAL. See *Controller Modes* for important guidelines.

Status is indicated by the MANUAL Mode LED.

### (N) Engine STOP/RESET Mode Button

Switches the mode to STOP. See *Controller Modes* for important guidelines.

Status is indicated by the STOP/RESET Mode LED.

### (O) Engine STOP/RESET Mode LED

- When illuminated, STOP mode is active.
- When not illuminated, STOP mode is not active.

### (P) Open Generator Button

The Open Generator button is only active in the Manual Mode and allows the operator to open the generator load switch when a motorized breaker is used. Pressing the Open Generator button when the Generator is on load, the generator load switch is opened.

**NOTE:** In units equipped with a manual breaker, either limited or no function is available.

Status is indicated by the Open Generator LED.

### (Q) Open Generator LED

- When illuminated, cam locks and lugs are disabled.
- When not illuminated, cam locks and lugs are enabled.

### **Controller Modes**

### MANUAL Mode

MANUAL mode is distinguished by full operator control of unit start-up and shut-down functions, and by full operator control of generator load and unload functions.

### AUTO Mode

AUTO mode is distinguished by automation of unit start-up and shut-down functions, and by automation of generator load and unload functions.

AUTO mode utilizes the remote start connections. For remote starting procedures, see **Section 3**, **Operation**.

AUTO mode utilizes a programmed schedule, which can be modified.

**NOTE:** To modify the AUTO mode programmed schedule, use the Deep Sea Configuration Suite software.

### STOP/RESET Mode

STOP/RESET mode is distinguished by the following:

- Unloads the generator.
- Clears active alarms—if alarm conditions have been resolved.
- Shuts down the unit.
- Deactivates the Engine Start button.
- Stops all AUTO mode automation (if applicable).
- Controller power remains ON.

### Switching Mode

1. Verify controller is ON.

**NOTE:** The engine can be running but it is not required.

- 2. Stop drawing power from the unit: Stop using equipment plugged into receptacles, cam locks, and anything connected to the lugs.
- **3.** See *Figure 2-7*. Press the desired Mode button. The mode immediately changes.

## **Operator Pages**

Operator pages display various data for unit monitoring, diagnosing, and troubleshooting. The pages are:

- Status page
- Engine page
- Generator page
- Alarm page
- ECU DTC page
- Event Log page
- Serial Port page
- Program File Information page
- About page

**NOTE:** Operator pages are available after normal unit start-up.

**NOTE:** Operator pages are view-only. No settings can be added, modified, or deleted.

### **Generator Page**

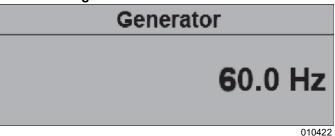


Figure 2-10. Generator Page

The Generator page displays the following generator data, in real time (press  $\blacktriangle$  or  $\triangledown$  to scroll).

- Voltage (ph-N)
- Voltage (ph-ph)
- Frequency
- Current (A)
- Load ph-N (kW)
- Total load (kW)
- Load ph-N (kVA)
- Total load (kVA)
- Single phase power factors
- Power factor average
- Load ph-N (kvar)
- Total load (kvar)
- Accumulated load (kWh, kVAh, kvarh)
- Loading scheme
- Phase rotation
- Nominal
- Active configuration

**NOTE:** The list above varies, according to generator make, model, and features.

**NOTE:** As possible, distribute electrical loads equally among generator lines. Minor load imbalances (10% or less) usually do not cause problems. When loading generator, observe the load (amperage) on each line.

### Alarms Page

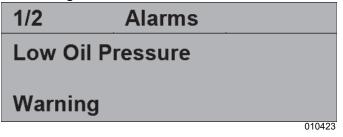


Figure 2-11. Alarm Page

The Alarms page displays active warnings and active alarms, including engine DTCs.

# ECU DTC Page

1/2	ECU Current DTCs
Water	Level Low
SPN=	131166 , FMI=8, OC=127
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Figure 2-12. ECU DTC Page—Current DTCs

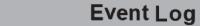
The ECU Current DTC page displays active ECU DTCs. Press ► to view previous ECU DTCs.

**NOTE:** See engine manual for information on ECU DTCs.

**NOTE:** All DTCs display on the ECU DTC page. Some DTCs may also display in the Event Log, with similar descriptions as those displayed on the ECU DTC page.

### Event Log Page

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# Oil Pressure Low Warning 01 Feb 2017, 18:00:46

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### Figure 2-13. Event Log Page

The Event Log page displays current and previous alarms.

- Event Log capacity is 250 alarm events. After 250 events are logged, each new event overwrites the oldest.
- Only alarms are logged.
- Newest event displays at top of log; oldest at bottom.

### Serial Port Page

The Serial Port page displays information about the RS232 serial port, which enables data transfers. If an external modem is connected to the serial port, modem information also displays.

**NOTE:** The Serial Port page display may vary, in accordance with controller configuration.

See *Figure 2-14*. If a modem is connected to the controller, *Modem* displays, as illustrated.\_\_\_\_

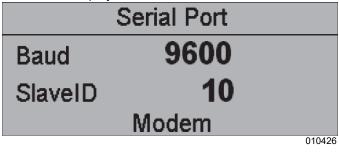


Figure 2-14. Serial Port Page. If modem is not connected, RS232 displays in place of Modem.

See *Figure 2-15*. When the controller can accept a data transfer, *Modem Ready* displays, as illustrated.



Modem Ready

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Figure 2-15. Serial Port Page—Modem Ready

**Program File Information Page** 

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PROGRAM FILE INFORMATION MDG25IF4 Mobile Generator PRGMD CNTLR MDG25 NP24 A0000xxxxx.dse Revision A

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Figure 2-16. Program File Information Page

The Program File Information page displays the following controller information.

- Controller model unit
- Program file name
- Program PN
- Program version

About Page

About			
Variant	7310		
Application	V5.0.23		
USB ID	6B248D0576		
About			
Bootloader	V3.2.1		
Analogue	V1.2.0		
About			
Engine Type Version			
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Figure 2-17. About Page

The About page displays various general information about the unit and controller, as illustrated.

# **Maintenance Alarms**

Maintenance alarms indicate a regular-maintenance service interval is expired. To resolve the condition, perform the indicated service, then re-set the corresponding service interval.

To re-set a service interval:

- 1. Display the Engine page.
- Scroll (▲ or ▼) until the appropriate service interval is highlighted.

**NOTE:** The expired interval displays on the Alarm page.

3. Press and hold the Engine STOP/RESET Mode button until ###\* hr service changes to 0 hr service.

\*A number displays. The value varies according to what service interval is highlighted.

# DVR2400 Digital Voltage Regulator (DVR) (If Equipped)

See *Figure 2-18*. This unit may be equipped with a Marathon Electric model DVR2400 voltage regulator, which includes the illustrated controller.

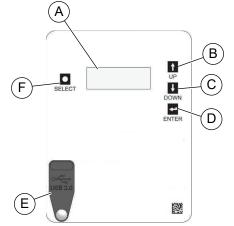


Figure 2-18. DVR2400 Controller

### (A) Screen

Four-digit LCD screen. Displays status conditions and parameter settings.

The screen has three display modes:

• SLEEP mode: Displays a blank screen. Activates after 60 seconds of button-press inactivity. Pressing a button deactivates SLEEP mode and activates STATUS mode.

**NOTE:** SLEEP mode is the default display mode.

• STATUS mode: Displays a flashing code, which describes the current DVR operating state. See table below for code definitions.

Code	Definition
[blank]	Indicates normal operation in SLEEP mode.
STBY	Indicates normal operation in stand-by mode, waiting for the STRT state.
STRT	Indicates DVR is in a soft start state.
RUN.V	Indicates normal operation, with excitation in AVR mode.
RUN.I	Indicates normal operation, with excitation in FCR mode.
RUN.P	Indicates normal operation, with excitation in VAR or PF mode.
FLSH	Indicates DVR is in field flashing mode.
IDLE	Indicates normal operation in idle state, waiting for the speed to take off.

AXXX	Indicates an alarm state. The DVR continues to provide excitation, if excitation is enabled.	
	<b>NOTE:</b> XXX indicates a three-digit alarm code.*	
FXXX	Indicates a fault state. The DVR stops providing excitation.	
	<b>NOTE:</b> XXX indicates a three-digit fault code.*	

\*For alarm and fault codes, see OEM manual included with unit.

• EDIT mode: Displays a multi-layer menu for reading and editing DVR operating parameters. The display is steady ON when EDIT mode is active.

**NOTE:** For EDIT mode operating parameters, see OEM manual included with unit.

### (B) UP button

Increases value of selected parameter.

### (C) DOWN button

Decreases value of selected parameter.

### (D) ENTER button

Stores current value of selected parameter and then displays the main menu.

#### (E) USB connection port

### (F) SELECT button

Steps the user through a menu list of editable parameters. It also serves as an escape key in EDIT mode.

**NOTE:** To change a setting, see **Changing DVR2400 Voltage Regulator Settings (If Equipped)**.

# Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) Monitoring

This unit is equipped with a selective catalytic reduction (SCR) system to meet Tier 4 EPA emissions standards. This section gives an explanation of the indicators that are displayed on the SCR status page of the engine tab.

To access the SCR status page, press any direction button ( $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\blacktriangleright$ ,  $\blacktriangledown$ ,  $\triangleleft$ ) to enter the maintenance screens, and when on the engine tab, press the  $\blacktriangledown$  button to toggle through the pages until the SCR status page appears. There are four areas on the SCR status page that communicate various information to the operator. The areas and the indicators that appear in those areas are explained here:

- HEST Lamp (High Exhaust System Temperature): This area displays the regeneration underway indicator above the words HEST LAMP SOLID when the unit is in the process of the exhaust catalyst. During the regeneration process, the exhaust temperature will be very high.
- SCR Lamp: This area displays the regeneration indicator above the words SCR LAMP SOLID when auto exhaust filter cleaning is enabled. When the unit is being operated with auto exhaust filter cleaning disabled, the indicator will begin to flash above the words SCR LAMP FLASHING if the soot load level goes above 80%.

- SCR Inhib: This area displays the disabled regeneration indicator above the words SCR INHIB SOLID when auto exhaust filter cleaning is disabled.
- Alarm: This area will display the engine alarm indicator above the words ALARM SOLID when an alarm condition occurs. This area displays different text depending upon which alarm condition occurs.

See **DOC and SCR Cleaning Operations** for more information on the operation of auto exhaust filter regeneration and service regeneration.

### **DPF Regeneration Lamps**

Depending upon the Engine Type selected in the module's configuration, the Engine section may include the DPF Regeneration Lamps page. This page contains icons (see *Figure 2-19*) to show the status of various ECU functions, some of which are applicable to Tier 4 engine requirements. The icons flash at different rates to show the status of the ECU function, refer to the engine manufacturer for more information about this.

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con	Fault	Description
Ŵ	ECU Amber A <b>l</b> arm	The module received an Amber fault condition from the engine ECU.
Đ	ECU Red A <b>l</b> arm	The module received a Red fault condition from the engine ECU.
3	DPF Active	The module received a fault indication from the engine ECU informing that the <i>Diesel Particulate Filter</i> is active.
×.	DPF Inhibited	The module received a fault indication from the engine ECU informing that the <i>Diesel Particulate Filter</i> has been inhibited.
STOP	DPF Stop	The module received a fault indication from the engine ECU informing that the <i>Diesel Particulate Filter</i> has been stopped.
Ō	DPF Warning	The module received a fault condition from the engine ECU informing that the <i>Diesel Particulate Filter</i> has a fault condition.
31	HEST Active	The module received a fault indication from the engine ECU informing that the <i>High Exhaust System Temperature</i> is active.
<u>کی</u>	DEF Low Level	The module received a fault condition from the engine ECU informing that the <i>Diesel Exhaust Fluid Low Level</i> is active.
티카	SCR Inducement	The module received a fault indication from the engine ECU informing that the <i>Selective Catalytic Reduction Inducement</i> is active.

#### Example:

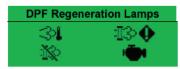


Figure 2-19. DPF Regeneration Lamps

# **Voltage Selector Switch**



### WARNING

Electric Shock. Never change the voltage selector switch while the engine is running or the controller is on. Doing so could result in death, serious injury or equipment damage.

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The voltage selector mechanically configures the generator main windings. The unit is equipped with either a 3- or a 4-position switch. Available configurations for each are shown in the table below.

	3-Position Switch	4-Position Switch
Available Configurations	<ul><li>Hi wye</li><li>Low wye</li><li>Zig zag</li></ul>	<ul><li>Hi wye</li><li>Low wye</li><li>Zig zag</li><li>Delta</li></ul>

### **Lockout Function**

The voltage selector switch is equipped with a lockout mechanism. When engaged, the switch is locked in place, preventing configuration changes.

**NOTE:** See *Using Voltage Selector Switch* for more information.

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# Pre-start Checklist

All items in the pre-start checklist must be completed before starting the unit. This checklist applies to both manual and remote starting of the unit.



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Consult Manual. Read and understand manual completely before using product. Failure to completely understand manual and product could result in death or serious injury. (000100a)

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Equipment damage. Do not attempt to start or operate a unit in need of repair or scheduled maintenance. Doing so could result in serious injury, death, or equipment failure or damage. (000291)

- Uverify the voltage selector switch is set to the desired voltage and locked.
- Verify the emergency stop switch is pulled out.
- Verify the radiator and surrounding shroud are clear of debris.

# Manually Starting the Unit



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Asphyxiation. Running engines produce carbon monoxide, a colorless, odorless, poisonous gas. Carbon monoxide, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.

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Hot Surfaces. When operating machine, do not touch hot surfaces. Keep machine away from combustibles during use. Hot surfaces could result in severe burns or fire. (000108)

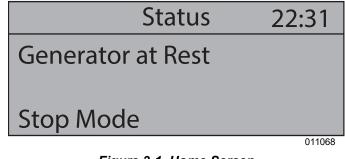


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Fire risk. Fuel and vapors are extremely flammable. Do not operate indoors. Doing so could result in death, serious injury, or property or equipment damage. (000281)

Proceed as follows to start the generator in MANUAL mode:

- 1. Set the control power switch to ON (I).
- 2. The display screen will show the pre-start diagnosis, and the controller will load the unit management software.
- 3. The home screen will be displayed when the software is loaded, and the controller will be in STOP mode as indicated at the top of the screen. Press the AUTO/MANUAL mode (1) button to enter MANUAL mode.



### Figure 3-1. Home Screen

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Risk of Fire. Unit must be positioned in a manner that prevents combustible material accumulation underneath. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury. (000147)

- U Verify all maintenance procedures are up to date. For more information, see General Maintenance and **Basic Maintenance Schedule.**
- Verify the unit is level.
- Uverify there is no water inside, on, or near the unit; dry if needed.
- **I** For grounding requirements, follow any local, state, or National Electrical Code (NEC) guidelines.
- □ Verify the control power switch is OFF (O).
- Verify all circuit breakers are OFF (O).
- □ Inspect all electrical cords; repair or replace any that are cut, worn, or bare.
- □ Verify oil, coolant, and fuel levels are correct, per the engine manufacturer's manual.
- Verify battery connections are secure.
- **T** Turn the battery disconnect switch ON, if equipped.
- Check engine fan belt tension and condition.
- Check engine fan belt guard.
- Check engine exhaust system for loose or rusted components.
- Uverify all covers are in place and secure.
- □ Verify all electrical connections at the connection lugs, if equipped, are tight and wired correctly.

**NOTE:** The controller can be started from any screen when it is in MANUAL mode.

4. Pressing the green engine start (I) button on the controller will initiate the startup procedure and start the engine, if there are no engine faults preventing the unit from starting.

**NOTE:** It may take a few seconds for the engine to run smoothly and reach its governed operating speed. During this time, the screen will show a voltage different from the voltage set with the voltage selector switch.

- 5. If the engine does not start after the first cranking attempt, the engine will pause for 15 seconds to allow the starter to cool. The display screen will show MANUAL MODE - CRANK REST at the top of the screen. The engine will make two more attempts to start for a total of three crank cycles.
- 6. If the engine does not start and run within three crank cycles, the display screen will show the fail to start alarm. The starting sequence can be repeated after the starter has had a minimum of two minutes to cool. Pressing the ENTER (✓) button will clear the alarm and reset the controller.

**NOTE:** The engine controller may skip the preheat engine steps on some of the larger models.

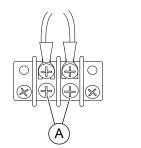
- 7. Once the engine starts, it begins speeding up to a constant 1,800 RPM. The engine may hunt or change speeds until operating speed is reached. The engine will be warmed up and the operator screens will show engine and generator operating parameters after a few minutes of operation.
- Check the generator for excessive noise or vibration and any coolant, oil, or fuel leaks before applying any loads.
- 9. Verify the AC output voltage is correct. See *Fine Voltage Adjustment*.
- 10. Verify the frequency (Hz) is correct on the generator screen. The frequency should read approximately 60 Hz with no loads connected to the generator, depending on the type of engine governing used.
- If all wiring connections have been made correctly, switch the main circuit breaker to ON (I), and then add any loads attached to the receptacles by switching the respective circuit breaker to the ON (I) position. A slight change in engine sound when a load is applied to the unit is normal.

# AUTO (Remote) Starting the Unit

AUTO mode is used when the unit is started from a location other than the control panel by using a transfer switch. AUTO (remote start) is the normal setting when the unit is being used as a standby power supply. Review the *Pre-start Checklist* and *Manually Starting the Unit* before putting the unit in AUTO mode. Follow all safety warnings and review all information on isolating the generator with a transfer switch if the unit is to be used as a standby power supply. See *Changing Exercise Timers*, then proceed as follows:

- 1. Perform a manual start of the unit at least once to verify the engine is operating correctly.
- 2. To check the remote start circuit, remove the wires from the remote start terminal block. Press the AUTO/MANUAL mode (<sup>(f)</sup>) button, and the display screen will show auto mode at the top of the screen.
- 3. Attach a jumper wire (minimum 16 gauge) across the two terminals on the remote start terminal block. This applies a ground to the controller to close the starting circuit contacts. The engine will crank, start, and run.
- 4. Remove the jumper wire from the remote start terminal block and the engine will stop. Reconnect any necessary wires from the remote start switch (transfer switch) to the remote start terminal block.
- 5. Verify the unit is in AUTO mode. The display screen should show AUTO mode at the top of the screen.
- 6. Secure the unit by closing and locking all access doors.
- 7. The unit is now ready for remote starting.

See *Figure 3-2*. The remote start terminal block provides a connection for installation of a remote start switch which will allow the unit to be started by a remote drycontact closure switch. For location of the remote start terminal block, see *Genset Controller*.



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Figure 3-2. Remote Start Terminal Block

Before entering AUTO mode, verify the contacts on any remote switch linked to the unit are open. If the contacts on a remote switch are closed, the engine will crank and start when AUTO mode is entered. Attach the switch leads to the two unused terminals (A) on the unit's remote start terminal block.

# Parallel Setup and Operation (If Equipped)

This system is designed to work with generators that are connected on the mobile switching center (MSC) network only and not with the utility or any other independent power source. All other power sources must be isolated from the MSC network to prevent potential damage due to power sources closing out of phase.



Figure 3-3. Two Units in Parallel

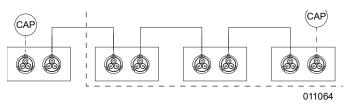


Figure 3-4. Three or More Units in Parallel

### Manual Parallel

- 1. Verify the units to be paralleled are OFF.
- 2. Secure all electrical connections to each unit and a common bus. Verify all wiring is properly color coded or labeled prior to connection. Any crossed connections will prevent units from paralleling.
- 3. Connect MSC cable(s) and terminating plugs (resistors) to the end units.
- 4. Turn the battery disconnect ON.
- 5. Turn on the controller power for each unit.
- 6. Put the controller in MANUAL mode (lower left button).
- 7. Start each unit to be paralleled and allow them to warm up.
- 8. Press the Close Circuit Breaker button on each unit.

### **Automatic Parallel**

- 1. Verify the units to be paralleled are OFF.
- 2. Secure all electrical connections to each unit and a common bus. Verify all wiring is properly color coded or labeled prior to connection. Any crossed connections will prevent units from paralleling.
- 3. Connect MSC cable(s) and terminating plugs (resistors) to the end units.
- 4. Turn the battery disconnect ON.
- 5. Connect two wire start signal (dry contact closure) to all the generators on the MSC network. The contact closure will be in parallel.
- 6. Turn ON the controller power for each unit.
- 7. Put the controller in AUTO mode.

### Shutting Down the Units in MANUAL Mode

- 1. Press the Open Circuit Breaker button on each unit to be shut down. Note the controller will ramp off the load before opening the circuit breaker.
- 2. Allow the engine to cool if previously under heavy load.
- 3. Press the Engine Stop button.
- 4. Turn OFF controller power.
- 5. Turn battery disconnect OFF.

**NOTE:** If any units are in parallel, do not disconnect the MSC cable.

# Low Idle Switch

Engine idle speed is 1,000 to 1,200 rpm. The engine will start at idle speed and run at idle for 15 seconds no matter what position the idle switch is in. After 15 seconds of running at idle, the unit will ramp up to 1,800 rpm if the idle switch is OFF. Otherwise the unit will continue to idle if the idle switch is ON. When the engine is at idle speed (1,000 rpm), the voltage regulator will not function and the output voltage is dropped out by the voltage regulator.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Do not apply load to the unit when the engine is running at idle speed.

# Wet Stacking

The unit is powered by a diesel engine. Diesel engines are susceptible to wet stacking if lightly loaded. Wet stacking occurs when an engine is run at less than 30% of its full load capacity, causing unburned fuel to accumulate in the exhaust system. Wet stacking can be detected by continuous black exhaust when the unit is under a constant load. It can also cause fouling of injectors and buildup on engine valves. Diesel engines operate properly when applied loads are between 30% and 100% capacity. Appropriate generator sizing is determined by the anticipated load.

# **Cold Weather Operation**

The engine may be equipped with a coolant heater, oil pan heater, crankcase ventilation heater, battery heater or fuel heater as cold weather starting aids.

See *Figure 3-5*. Starting aids are required below 32 °F (0 °C). They will enhance starting performance below these temperatures and may be needed to start applications that have high parasitic loads during cranking and start acceleration to idle. Other cold weather starting aids are required at temperatures below -13 °F (-25 °C) or at altitudes above 5,000 ft (1,500 m).

The use of correct grade oil (see *Engine Oil Recommendations*) is critical to achieving adequate cold weather cranking speed. Synthetic oils have improved flow at low temperatures. The oil pan heater, battery heater and fuel filter heater (if equipped) are activated with a thermostat and will turn on and off as needed. The block heater is powered by a shore power 120 V electrical connection that can be found in the convenience receptacle. The crankcase ventilation heater is powered by the generator and will stay on when the engine is operating in cold weather conditions.



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Explosion. Do not use ether when starting an engine equipped with glow plugs or an air intake heater. Doing so could cause an explosion, which will result in death or serious injury. (000583)

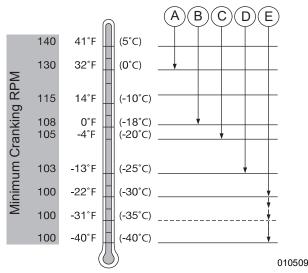


Figure 3-5. Cold Weather Starting Guidelines

Α	Fuel filter heaters
В	Fuel filter heaters, PCV heater
С	Fuel filter heaters, PCV heater, oil pan heater
D	Fuel filter heaters, PCV heater, oil pan heater, block heater
E	Fuel filter heaters, PCV heater, oil pan heater, block heater, 60/40 coolant

Use cold weather starting aids as needed according to *Figure 3-5*. Follow supplier instructions for starting aids provided on engine. A booster battery can be connected if needed (see *Using a Booster Battery or Charger (If Equipped)*).

**NOTE:** Turn key to ON but do not crank engine until Engine Preheat Indicator goes off.

**NOTE:** Additional information on cold weather operation is available from your local GMASD.

# Using a Booster Battery or Charger (If Equipped)



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Explosion. Batteries emit explosive gases while charging. Keep fire and spark away. Wear protective gear when working with batteries. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury.

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## WARNING

Risk of burns. Batteries contain sulfuric acid and can cause severe chemical burns. Wear protective gear when working with batteries. Failure to do so could result in death or serious injury.

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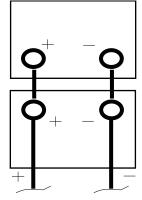
Equipment damage. Do not make battery connections in reverse. Doing so will result in equipment damage.

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See *Figure 3-6*. A 12 volt booster battery can be connected in parallel with batteries on the unit to aid in cold weather starting. ALWAYS use heavy-duty jumper cables.

### Parallel:

- Amps = Twice as a single battery
- Volts = Same as single battery



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Figure 3-6. Parallel

1. Connect booster battery or batteries to produce the required system current.

**NOTE:** To avoid sparks, do not allow the free ends of jumper cables to touch engine.

- Connect one end of jumper cable to the POSITIVE (+) post of the booster battery.
- 3. Connect the other end of the jumper cable to the POSITIVE (+) post of battery connected to starter.
- 4. Connect one end of the other jumper cable to the NEGATIVE (-) post of the booster battery.

- 5. Complete the hookup by making the last connection of the NEGATIVE (-) cable to a good ground on the engine frame and away from the batteries.
- Start the engine. Disconnect jumper cables immediately after engine starts. Always disconnect NEGATIVE (-) cable first.

### **Generator Output Connections**

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Electrical backfeed. Use only approved switchgear to isolate generator from the normal power source. Failure to do so will result in death, serious injury, and equipment damage.

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Electrocution. Do not disable or modify the connection box door safety switch. Doing so will result in death or serious injury.

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Electrocution. Before connections are made to the unit, verify the main circuit breaker and battery disconnect switch are OFF. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury.

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Electric shock. Only a trained and licensed electrician should perform wiring and connections to unit. Failure to follow proper installation requirements could result in death, serious injury, and equipment or property damage.

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The installation should be in compliance with the national electrical code (NEC), state, and local regulations.

See *Figure 3-8.* The unit is equipped with connection lugs (A), located on the lower portion of the control box behind the lug box door. The lugs provide connection points to attach external loads to the generator. A large decal on the inside of the connection lug door details the proper connections for selected voltages.

N (Neutral)	White
G (Ground)	Green

Connections to the lugs should be made by running the power cables up through the opening in the bottom of the box.

# IMPORTANT NOTE: Do not make any connections directly to the lugs without routing the cables through the opening. Use a hex-wrench to tighten the cable connections.

The connection lug door is equipped with safety interlock switches that will trip the main circuit breaker and disable the voltage regulator if the door is opened while the unit is operating.

A ground connection (B) is located next to the connection lugs. The unit must be connected to ground for proper operating safety. The generator neutral is bonded to ground when it is shipped from the factory. The bonding plate must be removed when the generator is used as a standby power source.

## Generator Cam Lock Connections (If Equipped)



#### **A**DANGER

Electrocution. Before connections are made to the unit, verify the main circuit breaker and battery disconnect switch are OFF. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury.

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Electrical backfeed. Use only approved switchgear to isolate generator from the normal power source. Failure to do so will result in death, serious injury, and equipment damage.

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Electric Shock. Verify all connections to the cam lock receptacles are made to one side only. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury and property damage. (000308)

Electric shock. Only a trained and licensed electrician should perform wiring and connections to unit. Failure to follow proper installation requirements could result in death, serious injury, and equipment or property damage.

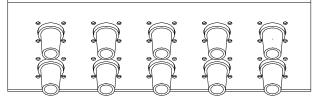
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Figure 3-7. Generator Connection Lugs

L1	Black
L2	Red
L3	Blue

See *Figure 3-8*. The unit may be equipped with cam lock connections located below the receptacles. These receptacles provide connection points to attach external loads to the generator. A decal below the cam lock connections details the proper connections for selected voltages.



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Figure 3-8. Cam Lock Panel

L1	Black
L2	Red
L3	Blue
N (Neutral)	White
G (Ground)	Green

Connections should be made by plugging power cables equipped with series 16 taper nose 400 A, 600 V cam lock plugs into the cam lock receptacles. Secure connection by rotating plug one-half turn to the right.



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Electrocution. Do not disable or modify the connection box door safety switch. Doing so will result in death or serious injury.

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A ground connection is located on the far right of the cam lock panel. The unit must be connected to a good earthen ground for proper operating safety. The generator neutral is bonded to ground when it is shipped from the factory. The bonding plate must be removed when the generator is used as a standby power source. Installation should be in compliance with the National Electrical Code (NEC), state, and local regulations.

## **Using Voltage Selector Switch**



#### **A**WARNING

Electric Shock. Never change the voltage selector switch while the engine is running or the controller is on. Doing so could result in death, serious injury or equipment damage.

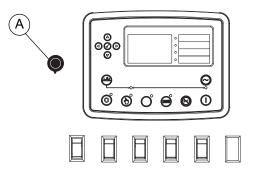
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- 1. Shut down the unit according to *Shutting Down the Unit*.
- 2. Remove padlock from voltage selector switch lockout device.
- 3. Move voltage selector switch to desired voltage.

- 4. Replace and lock padlock on voltage selector switch lockout device.
- 5. Start the unit according to *Manually Starting the Unit* or *AUTO (Remote) Starting the Unit*.

### Fine Voltage Adjustment

See *Figure* **3-9**. Adjust fine voltage with the fine voltage potentiometer (A). Voltage adjustment range is  $\pm 10\%$ .



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Figure 3-9. Fine Voltage Potentiometer

### **Voltage Regulator**

The voltage regulator controls the output of the generator by regulating the current into the exciter field. The voltage regulator is adjusted before shipment from the factory. The regulator has four screwdriver adjustable potentiometers that may be adjusted for under frequency roll-off (U/ F), U/F dip (DIP), stability (STAB), and voltage (VOLT). Contact a GMASD for additional information before attempting to adjust the voltage regulator.

# Changing DVR2400 Voltage Regulator Settings (If Equipped)

Change the DVR2400 settings as follows:

1. Repeatedly press the SELECT button until the desired parameter displays.

**NOTE:** For parameter descriptions, see OEM manual included with unit.

- Press the ENTER button. EDIT mode activates and the current value of the selected parameter displays.
- 3. Press the UP and DOWN buttons to modify the value.
- 4. Press the ENTER button to save the displayed value. The value flashes three times to indicate the value is saved.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Modifications of parameter values are immediately effective.

### **Customer Convenience Receptacles**

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Equipment Damage. Verify voltage application before making changes to factory settings. Incorrect voltage applied to a load could result in equipment damage. (000303)

The unit is equipped with five receptacles. The 240/120 VAC twist-lock receptacles are rated at 50 A each. The 120 VAC duplex receptacles are rated at 20 A each, with ground fault circuit interrupt (GFCI) protection. The receptacles are not routed through the main circuit breaker. Each receptacle has its own circuit breaker, located directly above or next to the receptacle. Each breaker is sized to the maximum rating of the corresponding receptacle.

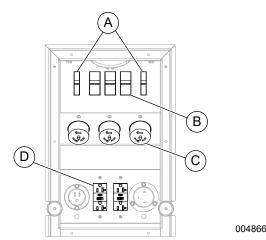


Figure 3-10. Receptacle and Breaker Locations

Α	20 A circuit breakers
В	50 A circuit breaker (3 locations)
С	120/240 V, twist-lock receptacle (3 locations)
D	120 V, GFCI receptacle (2 locations)

**NOTE:** Power to the receptacles is available any time the generator is running, even if the main circuit breaker is OFF (O). Verify equipment connected to the receptacles is turned OFF before turning the breakers ON (I).

**NOTE:** When the voltage selector switch is in position for 480/277 V 3-phase, voltage at the two GFCI receptacles is 139 volts and the voltage at the three twist-lock receptacles is 240/139 volts. Generac Mobile does not recommend using the receptacles in the 480 V position. When the voltage selector switch is in position for 208/120 V 3-phase, voltage at the three twist-lock receptacles and the two GFCI receptacles is 208/120 volts.

### **Main Circuit Breaker**

See *Figure 3-11*. The main circuit breaker is located on the main control panel. When the breaker is OFF (O), power is interrupted to the connection lugs, the optional cam lock receptacles, and the generator. The breaker may be switched ON (I) once the connections have been made to the connection lugs or the optional cam lock receptacles, and the unit has been started and allowed to reach normal operating temperature.



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Figure 3-11. Main Circuit Breaker

Reasons the main circuit breaker may trip:

- Overload of the generator circuits to the connection lugs or the optional cam lock receptacles.
- The door covering the connection lugs or the optional cam lock receptacles is opened.
- If the emergency stop switch is activated.

Verify any problems that cause the main circuit breaker to trip are corrected before returning the switch to ON (I).

**NOTE:** The main circuit breaker only interrupts power to the connection lugs and the optional cam lock receptacles. The customer convenience receptacles have power even if the main circuit breaker is OFF (O). Use the individual circuit breakers located near each receptacle to disconnect power to these receptacles.

## **DOC and SCR Cleaning Operations**

WARNING

Risk of Burn. Stay clear of the exhaust system during operation and exhaust filter cleaning. Exposure to hot exhaust gases and components could result in serious injury. (000304)

When enabled, the exhaust after-treatment system goes through an automatic cleaning process known as regeneration. Under normal circumstances, regeneration occurs without interrupting the unit operation and with minimal operator involvement. In the event there are conditions requiring the operation of the unit with the auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning disabled, the operator may be required to perform procedures to enable or disable the auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning. The operator may also be required to perform a manual regeneration.

**NOTE:** Always park the unit in a safe location for elevated exhaust temperatures and check for adequate fuel level before beginning the exhaust after-treatment cleaning process. The cleaning cycle can take an extended period of time (approximately 45 minutes). Cleaning is complete when the regeneration indicator remains off.

#### Disabling Automatic (AUTO) Exhaust After-Treatment Cleaning

The auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning feature should always be enabled unless doing so would cause an unsafe working environment. In the event that an unsafe working environment occurs, proceed as follows to disable the auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning feature:

- 1. Open the control door and locate the switch labeled REGEN INHIBIT.
- 2. Set the switch to DISABLED (O).
- 3. Enter the SCR status screen and verify the disabled regeneration indicator appears above the

#### words SCR INHIB - SOLID. See **Selective Cata***lytic Reduction (SCR) Monitoring*.

**NOTE:** Disabling auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning is not recommended for any situation unless it is safety related or if the fuel tank lacks the required fuel to complete the cleaning process.

### Forcing a Manual Exhaust After-Treatment Cleaning

If running the unit with the exhaust after-treatment cleaning function disabled, the SCR status screen may display a red alarm, prompting the operator to force a manual exhaust after-treatment cleaning. Proceed as follows to force a manual exhaust after-treatment cleaning:

- 1. Open the control door and locate the switch labeled REGEN INHIBIT.
- 2. Set and hold the switch in ON/FORCED (I) for five seconds.
- 3. Enter the SCR status screen and verify the regeneration indicator appears above the words SCR LAMP - SOLID. See *Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) Monitoring*.

### Enabling Exhaust After-Treatment Cleaning

If the environment no longer requires the exhaust aftertreatment cleaning function to be disabled, and there are no alarms present on the SCR status screen, the auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning function should be enabled. Proceed as follows to enable the auto exhaust after-treatment cleaning feature:

- 1. Open the control door and locate the switch labeled REGEN INHIBIT.
- 2. Set the switch to ON/AUTO (I/O).
- 3. Enter the SCR status screen and verify the re-generation indicator appears above the words SCR LAMP - SOLID. See *Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) Monitoring*.

## **Transfer Switch**

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Loss of life. Property damage. Installation must always comply with applicable codes, standards, laws and regulations. Failure to do so will result in death or serious injury. (000190)

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Electrical backfeed. Use only approved switchgear to isolate generator from the normal power source. Failure to do so will result in death, serious injury, and equipment damage.

(000237)

### **WARNING**

Electric shock. Only a trained and licensed electrician should perform wiring and connections to unit. Failure to follow proper installation requirements could result in death, serious injury, and equipment or property damage.

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Electric shock. Phase rotation must be compatible. Incompatible phase rotation could result in death, serious injury, or equipment damage.

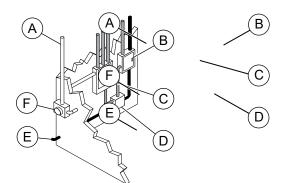
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The installation should be in compliance with the National Electrical Code (NEC), state, and local regulations.

Before any connections are attempted, verify the main circuit breaker and the control power switch are in the OFF (O) position and that the negative (-) battery cable has been disconnected from the battery.

Installation of such devices must be performed by following all directions supplied by the manufacturer of the switch. If attaching the unit to a power supply normally serviced by a utility company, notify the utility company and check state and local regulations. Familiarize yourself with all instructions and warning labels supplied with the switch.

When the unit is used as a standby power supply, it must be equipped with a transfer switch that isolates it from the utility's distribution system. A transfer switch is designed to transfer electrical loads from the normal power source (utility) to the emergency power source (generator) when normal voltage falls below a prescribed level. The transfer switch automatically returns the load back to the normal source when power is restored back to operating levels.



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#### Figure 3-12. Transfer Switch Operation

Α	Incoming utility power
В	Emergency distribution panel (generator power)
С	Main distribution panel (utility power)
D	Transfer switch

E	Power from generator
F	Utility meter
WHITE	Incoming utility power
GRAY	Normal utility power circuit
BLACK	Emergency generator power circuit

### **Changing Exercise Timers**

If exercise timers or scheduled runs are needed, contact a GMASD for assistance.

### **Shutting Down the Unit**

Prior to shutting down the unit, check with personnel using power supplied by the generator and let them know the power is going to be turned off. Verify the power shut down will not create any hazards by accidentally turning off equipment that needs to be kept on (pumps, compressors, lights, etc.).

- 1. Remove all loads from the generator by opening all circuit breakers (turn OFF (O)).
- 2. Allow engine to run for approximately five minutes to allow it to cool down.
- Press the red engine STOP/RESET (O) button on the controller. This will result in the generator going into the shutdown cycle and starting a 15 second shutdown timer. If the unit does not shut down within 15 seconds, a stop fail alarm will be displayed on the display screen.
- After the unit shuts down, wait two minutes after engine shutdown for controller actuated actions to complete and then set the control power switch to OFF (O).

**NOTE:** The ECU needs to run for 90 seconds after shutdown to purge the DEF.

**NOTE:** Turning off the control panel before the controller finishes updating could cause a loss of data.

**NOTE:** For extended storage time, disconnect the battery. See the engine operator's manual for extended storage requirements.

### **Emergency Stop Switch**

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Equipment Damage. The emergency stop switch is not to be used to power down the unit under normal operating circumstances. Doing so could result in equipment damage. (000246b) See *Figure 3-13*. The unit is equipped with one emergency stop switch. The red button is clearly labeled EMERGENCY STOP. The switch can be accessed and activated with all doors closed and locked.

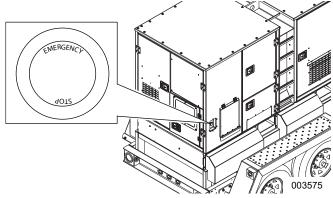


Figure 3-13. Emergency Stop Switch

Activate the emergency stop switch by pushing the button in until it locks down. This trips the main circuit breaker which then opens the contact, disconnecting the load to the connection lugs. This will also open the fuel circuit, shutting down the engine. The emergency stop fault will be displayed on the control panel. The switch will remain closed until it is pulled out.

## ECU Override Switch

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Equipment Damage. Do not start the engine with the Engine Control Unit (ECU) override switch ON. Doing so will damage the ECU.

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IMPORTANT NOTE: Starting the engine with the ECU override switch ON will not allow the engine to shut down properly using the Engine STOP/RESET Button. This must only be used when the engine is OFF.

See *Genset Controller* for location of the ECU override switch. This toggle switch powers up the ECU without having to start the engine. Use the ECU override switch to turn the ECU OFF. If the unit needs to be shut down immediately, use the emergency stop switch. See *Emergency Stop Switch*.

### Towing the Unit

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Personal injury. Trailer must be securely coupled to the hitch with the chains correctly attached. Uncoupled or unchained towing could result in death or serious injury.

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Personal injury. Do not operate unit during transport. Doing so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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Crushing hazard. Verify unit is properly secured and on level ground. An unsecured unit can suddenly roll or move, causing death or serious injury.

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- 1. Verify the engine is OFF.
- 2. Use the tongue jack to raise or lower the trailer onto the hitch of the towing vehicle. Lock the hitch coupling and attach the safety chains or cables to the vehicle. Release the jack locking pin and rotate the jack into the travel position. Verify the locking pin snaps into place.

NOTE: A film of grease on the coupler will extend coupler life and eliminate squeaking. Wipe the coupler clean and apply fresh grease each time the unit is towed.

- 3. Lubricate the grease fittings located on the leveling jacks to verify proper operation of the jacks. See Jack Maintenance. For maintenance interval information, see Basic Maintenance Schedule.
- 4. Connect trailer wiring to the tow vehicle. Check for proper operation of the directional and brake lights.
- Verify all doors and hoods are properly latched.
- 6. Check for proper inflation of the trailer tires. Proper inflation is specified in Specifications.
- 7. Check the wheel lugs. Tighten or replace any lugs that are loose or missing. If a tire has been removed for axle service or replaced, tighten the lugs in the order shown in Figure 3-14 to the following specifications:
  - a. Start all lug nuts by hand.
  - b. First pass tighten to 20-25 ft-lb (27-33 Nm).
  - C. Second pass tighten to 50-60 ft-lb (67-81 Nm).
  - d. Third pass tighten to 90–120 ft-lb (122–162 Nm).

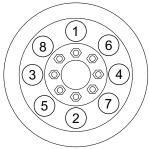


Figure 3-14. Lug Sequence

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Property or Equipment Damage. Tighten wheel lug nuts after first 50 miles to factory specifications. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, property or equipment damage.

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NOTE: Maximum recommended speed for highway towing is 45 mph (72 km/h). Recommended off-road towing speed is 10 mph (16 km/h), depending on terrain.

### Lifting the Unit



Personal injury. Failure to properly connect lifting cables, chains, or straps could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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### **AWARNING**

Personal Injury. Do not use lifting hook other than as directed. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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Personal Injury. Verify all fasteners are properly tightened prior to lifting unit. Failure to do so could result in death, serious injury, or property damage.

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- 1. Verify the equipment being used to lift the unit is in good condition and has sufficient capacity. For approximate weights, see Specifications.
- 2. Close and lock all hoods and doors.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Always remain aware of people and objects around the work site when moving or lifting the unit.

3. See *Figure 3-15*. Use the lifting points according to guidelines below.

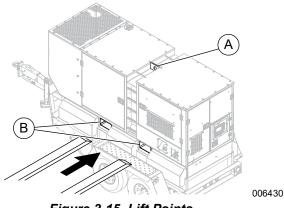


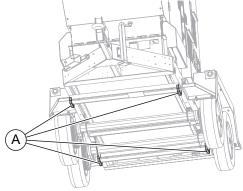
Figure 3-15. Lift Points

- Attach slings, chains, or hooks directly to the central lift point (A).
- Use the forklift pockets (B) with care. Lift only from the side. Avoid approaching the unit at an angle, as this can permanently damage the forklift pockets, tires, or cabinet. Verify any obstructions are clear of the forklift tines before lifting.

### Tying Down the Unit

When securing the unit for transportation, verify the equipment being used to fasten the unit is in good condition and has sufficient strength to hold the unit in place during transport.

See *Figure 3-16*. The unit is equipped with four tie-down points—two on each side (A)



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Figure 3-16. Tie-Down Points

### **Emissions Information**

For emissions information, see the OEM diesel engine manual.

### Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures correct machine performance and extends engine/equipment life. Generac Mobile recommends that all maintenance work be performed by a GMASD. Regular maintenance, replacement, or repair of the emissions control devices and systems may be performed by any repair shop or person of the owner's choosing. To obtain emissions control warranty service free of charge, the work must be performed by a GMASD. See the emissions warranty.

### **Daily Walk-Around Inspection**

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Equipment Damage. Failure to perform a daily inspection could result in damage to the unit.

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Inspect for conditions that could hinder performance or safety, such as (but not limited to) oil, coolant, and fuel leakage, blocked vents, loose or missing hardware, and improper electrical connections.

Inspect the fan belt for signs of cracking, fraying, and stretching, and verify the belt is properly seated in the pulley grooves. Replace the belt according to the manufacturer's recommendations.

**NOTE:** At the 500 hour or 12 month service interval, it is recommended that the belt be removed and checked for wear. While the belt is removed, inspect pulleys and bearings. Rotate and feel for hard turning or unusual sounds. Contact the engine manufacturer if pulleys or bearings need replacement.

### **General Maintenance**

Poorly maintained equipment can become a safety hazard. Periodic maintenance and occasional repairs are necessary in order for the equipment to operate safely and properly over a long period of time. Never perform any routine service (oil and oil filter changes, cleaning, etc.) unless all electrical components are shut off. Before servicing the unit, always follow the instructions listed below.

- Verify the control power switch is turned OFF (O).
- Verify the circuit breakers are turned OFF (O).
- Activate (push in) the emergency stop switch.

- Disconnect the negative (-) terminal on the battery.
- Attach a DO NOT USE sign to the control panel. This signifies that the unit is being serviced and reduces the chance of someone inadvertently trying to start the unit.
- Do not wash the unit with a high pressure hose or with any kind of power washer.
- Do not wash the engine block or fuel tank with a power washer or steam cleaner. Water may enter the cabinet and collect in the generator windings or other electrical parts, causing damage.
- Inspect for water inside the cabinet and generator before each use if the unit is stored outside. If wet, dry the unit thoroughly before starting.
- Inspect condition of electrical cords. **DO NOT** use the unit if insulation is cut or worn through.
- Verify the condition of the air filter by viewing the level of the vacuum draw on the filter minder gauge. Replace the air filter when the yellow center bar reaches the red section on the gauge (20 in.  $H_2O$ ).
- Inspect wheel lugs. See Towing the Unit.
- Inspect wheel bearings. See *Trailer Wheel Bearings*.
- Inspect the wheel bearings for unusual wear.
- Inspect coolant level daily. See the engine operator's manual for coolant recommendations and proper mixture.
  - Visually inspect the level in the coolant overflow tank located near the radiator.
  - Normal operating level is between the FULL and ADD markings on the overflow jug.
  - When engine is stopped and completely cool, coolant may be added directly to the coolant overflow container.
- Check the oil level daily. See the engine operator's manual for the proper viscosity grade of oil, including special operating conditions such as a change in season or climate.
  - DO NOT start the unit if the engine oil level is below the add mark on the dipstick.
  - Normal operating level is in the cross-hatch pattern between the FULL and ADD markings on the dipstick.
  - Add oil only if the oil level is below the ADD mark on the bottom of the cross-hatch pattern on the dipstick.
  - DO NOT OVERFILL the crankcase.
- Verify the fuel level.

• Verify the remote switch is also off and tagged if the unit is connected to a remote start or transfer switch.

**NOTE:** If the engine was run out of fuel, or the fuel tank was drained, it may be necessary to purge the fuel lines. See the engine operator's manual supplied with the unit for more information.

### **Basic Maintenance Schedule**

See the original equipment manufacturer's operating manual for a complete list of maintenance requirements. Failure to comply with the procedures as described in the engine operator's manual will nullify the warranty, decrease performance, and cause equipment damage or premature equipment failure. Maintenance records may be required to complete a warranty request.

**NOTE:** Refer to the engine operator's manual for additional maintenance information.

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Pre-start cleaning guide			•
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Replace alternator/fan belt			•

#### **Basic Maintenance Schedule**

#### **Basic Maintenance Schedule**

Item	Daily	Every 500 Hr/12 Mo	Every 1,500 Hr	Every 2,000 Hr/24 Mo	Every 3,000 Hr/ 36 Mo	Every 4,500 Hr/ 36 Mo	Every 4,500 Hr/ 60 Mo	Every 6,000 Hr/ 72 Mo	As Required
Check fuses									•
Replace after-treatment DEF tank header suction screen									•
Grease axles and jacks									•

1. During initial operation of a new or rebuilt engine with Break-In Plus, change the oil and filter between 100–500 hours.

2. If not using John Deere Plus 50 II engine oil, the interval must be decreased to every 250 hours.

3. Actual service should take place when the dash indicator light comes on or as indicated by the diagnostic gauge.

4. Increased inspections required under dusty or damp conditions. See Trailer Wheel Bearings for more information.

### Engine Break-In Requirements



#### **AWARNING**

Hot Surfaces. When operating machine, do not touch hot surfaces. Keep machine away from combustibles during use. Hot surfaces could result in severe burns or fire. (000108)

NOTE: During the first 20 hours of operation, avoid long periods of no load or sustained maximum load operation. If the generator is to run for longer than five minutes without a load, shut down the generator.

John Deere engines are supplied with engine break-in oil from the factory. Extra care during the first 100-500 hours of engine operation will result in better performance and longer engine life. Do not exceed 500 hours of operation with the break-in oil. Operate the engine at heavy loads (60-90% of maximum) as much as possible. If the engine has spent significant time at idle, constant speed(s), or light load, or if makeup oil is required, a longer break in period may be needed. Refer to the engine operator's manual for a full description of necessary procedures on the addition of break-in oil and extension of the break-in period. For more information on regular maintenance intervals, refer to Basic Maintenance Schedule.

### **Resetting Maintenance Alarms**

The controller will display a warning message when the unit is due for maintenance or service. The maintenance or service interval is set at 250, 500 and 3,000 hours of engine running time. Once the unit has been serviced, the appropriate maintenance alarm reminder must be reset. Proceed as follows to reset the maintenance alarms:

- 1. With the unit shut down, move the control power switch to CONTROL ON (I). The controller will toggle automatically to the home screen after initialization.
- **2.** Press  $\blacktriangle$ ,  $\triangleright$ ,  $\bigtriangledown$ , or  $\triangleleft$  to enter the maintenance screens.

- 3. Press ✓ and O simultaneously. The next screen displays the Configuration menu.
- **4.** Press  $\mathbf{\nabla}$  to move the cursor (blue highlighted text) down to the maintenance group.
- 5. Press  $\blacktriangleright$  to access the sections. Press  $\nabla$  to highlight the maintenance section.
- 6. Press ► to access the parameters and highlight the maintenance alarm that needs to be reset.
- 7. Press  $\checkmark$  to select the editable parameters. The cursor will highlight NOT RESET under the selected maintenance alarm. Press ▲ to highlight RESET.
- **8.** Press  $\checkmark$  to reset the selected maintenance alarm.
- 9. To perform additional maintenance alarm resets, repeat steps 6-8.

**NOTE:** If the selected maintenance alarm does not need to be reset, press ▼ to highlight Not Reset and press ✓ to return to the parameters section.

**10.** Press and hold  $\checkmark$  for five seconds to save changes. Press and hold O for five seconds to discard changes made.

### **DEF Procedures**

**IMPORTANT NOTE: Unit does not ship from factory** with DEF in tank.

#### Refilling DEF Tank

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Personal injury. Avoid prolonged contact with skin. Wash skin thoroughly with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Seek medical attention if skin becomes irritated. Failure to do so could result in personal injury.

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Equipment Damage. Immediately clean any surfaces with water that come in contact with diesel exhaust fluid. Failure to do so could result in equipment damage. (000365)

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IMPORTANT NOTE: If DEF is filled into engine fuel tank or other fluid compartment, do not operate engine until system is properly purged of DEF. Contact your John Deere dealer immediately to determine how to clean and purge the system.

**NOTE:** Use only distilled water to rinse components that are used to deliver DEF. Tap water can contaminate DEF. If distilled water is not available, rinse with clean tap water, then thoroughly rinse with ample amounts of DEF.

Reasonable care should be taken when refilling the DEF tank. Verify the DEF tank cap area is free of debris before removing the cap. Wipe clean with a lint free cloth to remove debris from tank cap. Seal DEF containers between use to prevent contamination and evaporation. Avoid splashing DEF, and do not allow DEF to come into contact with skin, eyes, or mouth.

DEF can be corrosive to materials such as steel, iron, zinc, nickel, copper, aluminum, and magnesium. Use suitable containers to transport and store DEF. Containers made of polyethylene, polypropylene, or stainless steel are recommended.

**NOTE:** Keep anything used to store or dispense DEF clean of dirt and dust. Wash and rinse containers or funnels thoroughly with distilled water to remove contaminants.

If an unapproved fluid, such as diesel fluid or coolant is added to the DEF tank, **contact your John Deere dealer immediately** to determine how to clean and purge the system.

If water has been added to the DEF tank, a tank cleaning is necessary. After refilling the tank, check the DEF concentration. See *Testing DEF*. The operator must maintain appropriate DEF levels at all times. Check the DEF level daily and refill the tank as needed. The filling port is identified by a blue colored cap embossed with the DEF symbol.

#### **Testing DEF**

**NOTE:** Using DEF with the correct concentration is critical to engine and after-treatment system performance. Extended storage and other conditions can adversely alter the DEF concentration.

If DEF quality is questionable, draw a sample out of the DEF tank or storage tank into a clear container. DEF must be crystal clear. If DEF appears cloudy or has a colored tint, it is likely not within specification. DEF in this condition should not be used. Drain the tank, flush with distilled water, and fill with new DEF. After filling the tank, check DEF concentration.

If the DEF passes the visual and smell tests, check the DEF concentration with a handheld refractometer calibrated to measure DEF.

DEF concentration should be checked when the engine has been stored for extended periods, or if there is

suspicion the engine or packaged DEF has been contaminated with water.

Two approved tools are available through your John Deere dealer:

- JDG11594 Digital DEF Refractometer—A digital tool providing an easy to read concentration measurement.
- JDG11684 DEF Refractometer—A low-cost alternative tool providing an analog reading.

Follow the instructions included with either tool to obtain the measurement.

The correct DEF concentration is 31.8–33.2% urea. If the DEF concentration is not within specification, drain the DEF tank, flush with distilled water, and fill with new or good DEF. If packaged DEF is not within specification, dispose of DEF packages and replace with new or good DEF.

**NOTE:** Do not create DEF by mixing agricultural grade urea with water. Agricultural grade urea does not meet the necessary specifications and can damage the after treatment system.

#### **Cleaning DEF Tank**

Proceed as follows to clean the DEF tank:

- 1. Drain DEF tank into a suitable container. See *Disposing DEF*.
- **2.** Flush DEF tank with distilled water, and fill with new or good DEF.

#### Storing DEF

### **WARNING**

Risk of poisoning. Do not ingest diesel exhaust fluid. Seek medical attention immediately if consumed. Failure to do so could result in serious injury.

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Personal injury. Do not inhale diesel exhaust fluid fumes. If breathing becomes difficult, move to an area with fresh air and seek medical attention immediately. Failure to do so could result in serious injury.

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Personal injury. Avoid contact with eyes. Flush eyes thoroughly with water and seek medical attention immediately. Failure to do so could result in serious injury. (000336)

**NOTE:** See the Materials Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for additional information.

DEF freezes at temperatures below 12 °F (-11 °C). Do

not use additives to reduce the freezing temperature. Additives currently available are more corrosive than DEF, and will cause component and system degradation and negatively impact reliability. For more information, see the operator manual, or contact a DEF supplier.

DEF quality degrades rapidly at temperatures above 140  $^{\circ}$ F (60  $^{\circ}$ C). To maintain emissions compliance, the urea concentration must remain between 31.8–33.2%.

Ideal conditions for storage of DEF are:

- Store at temperatures between 23-86 °F (-5-30 °C)
- Store in sealed dedicated containers to avoid contamination and evaporation

Under these conditions, DEF is expected to remain usable for a minimum of 18 months. Storing DEF at higher temperatures can reduce its useful life by approximately six months for every 9 °F (5 °C) above 86 °F (30 °C). Long-term storage in the DEF tank (over 12 months) is not recommended. If long-term storage is necessary, test DEF prior to operating engine. See *Testing DEF*.

#### **Disposing DEF**

Large amounts of DEF should be contained. If large spills occur, contact local environmental authorities for assistance with clean up.

If a substantial quantity of DEF is not within specification, contact the DEF supplier for assistance with disposal. Do not dump large quantities of DEF onto the ground or send DEF to wastewater treatment facilities.

## **Adjusting Engine Belt Tension**

John Deere engines use two types of belt tensioners: manual and automatic. Adjust the belt using the manual tensioner according to the manufacturer's specifications. The automatic tensioner cannot be adjusted or repaired and is designed to maintain proper tension over the belt's life. Units with an automatic belt tensioner must be inspected according to the manufacturer's specifications.

### Checking Generator Drive Plate Torque

- 1. Disconnect battery.
- 2. Remove generator fan guard.
- **3.** Tighten each of the drive plate bolts to 44 ft-lb (56.9 Nm).
- 4. Install generator fan guard.
- 5. Connect battery.

### **Jack Maintenance**

The following procedures should be performed annually.

#### Side-Wind Models

- The internal gearing and bushings of the jack must be kept lubricated. Apply a small amount of automotive grease to the internal gearing by removing the jack cover, or, if equipped, use a needle-nose applicator or standard grease gun on the lubrication point on the side of the jack near the crank. Rotate the jack handle to evenly distribute grease.
- Lightweight oil must be applied to the handle, at both sides of the tube.
- If equipped, the axle bolt and nut assembly of the caster wheel must also be lubricated with the same lightweight oil.

#### **Top-Wind Models**

• Apply a lightweight oil to the screw stem.

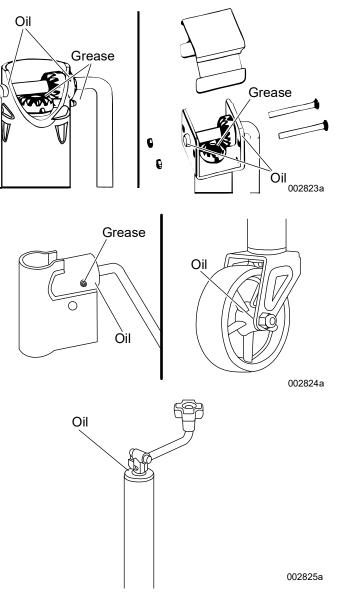


Figure 4-1. Lubrication Points

### **Trailer Wheel Bearings**

The trailer axles are equipped with a grease fitting to allow lubrication of the wheel bearings without needing to disassemble the axle hub. To lubricate the axle bearings, remove the small rubber plug on the grease cap, attach a standard grease gun fitting to the grease fitting, and pump grease into the fitting until new grease is visible around the nozzle of the grease gun. Use only a high quality grease made specifically for lubrication of wheel bearings. Wipe any excess grease from the hub with a clean cloth and replace the rubber plug when finished. The minimum recommended lubrication is every 12 months or 12,000 miles (19,312 km). More frequent lubrication may be required under extremely dusty or damp operating conditions.

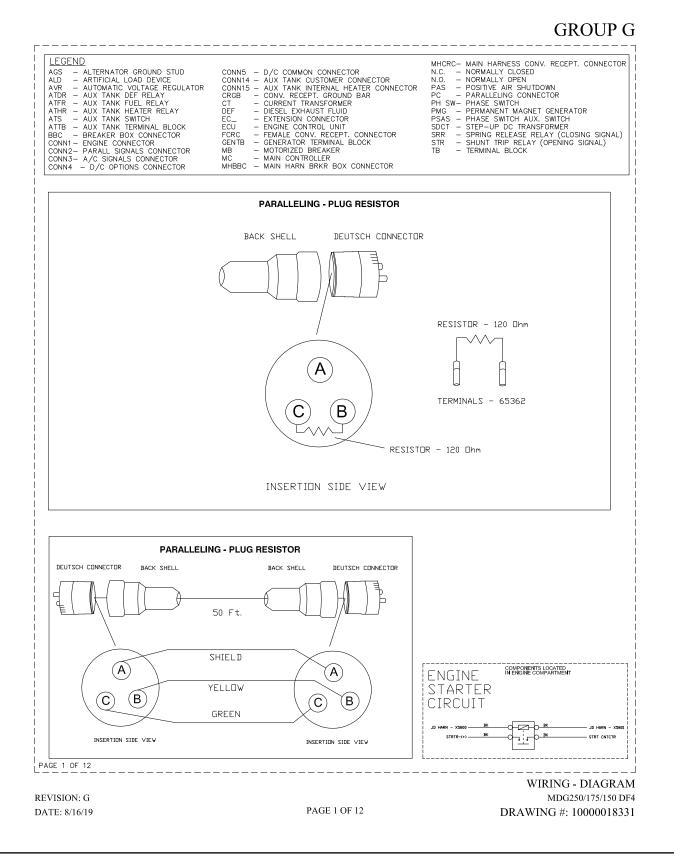
### **General Troubleshooting**

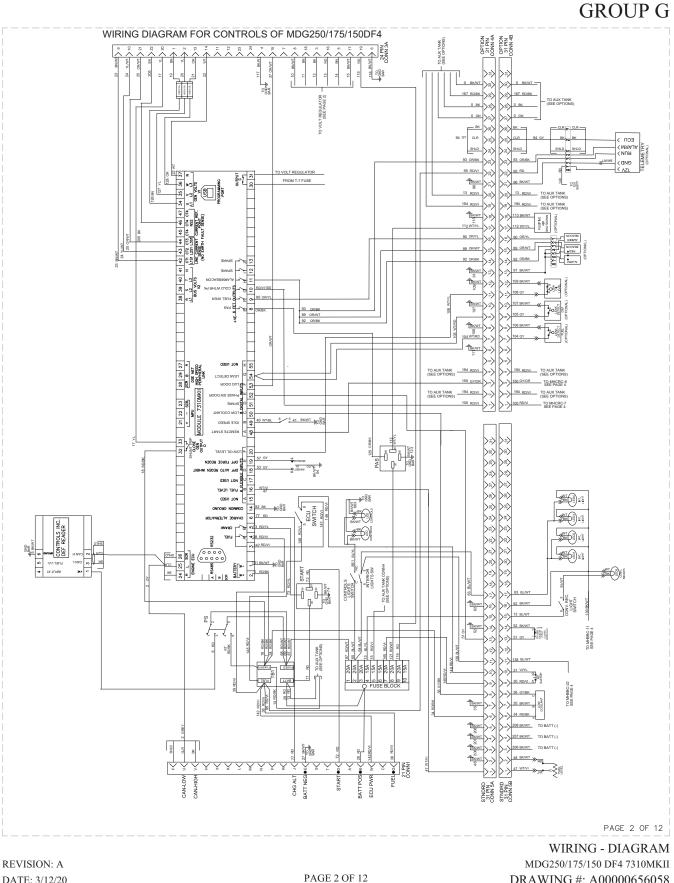
This information is intended to be a check or verification for simple causes that can be located and fixed. It does not cover all types of problems. See the engine operator's manual for additional troubleshooting information. Procedures that require in-depth knowledge or skills should be performed by a GMASD.

Problem	Possible Causes	Solution
Low fuel level shutdown	Low fuel level	Check fuel level on controller.
	Unit not level	Verify unit is sitting level to ensure an accurate reading.
	Leaking fuel tank	Check tank for leaks.
	Damaged fuel sender or wiring	Check for continuity between sender and engine controller.
Low oil pressure	Low oil level	Check oil level on dipstick. Add oil if needed.
shutdown	Leaking oil from engine	Visually inspect the engine for leaks. Restart unit and verify loss of pressure. Shut down immediately if pressure does not reach 5 psi (34.5 kPa) within five seconds.
	Oil pressure sender	See the OEM engine operator's manual to identify corrective action.
Low coolant level shutdown	Low coolant level	Allow engine to cool, then check coolant level in radiator. Add coolant if needed.
	Leaking coolant hoses	Inspect hoses for leaks. Repair or replace as necessary.
	Leaking engine block or water pump	Visually inspect for leaks. Verify no coolant has mixed with the engine oil (oil will appear milky). See the OEM engine operator's manual for additional information.
High coolant temperature shutdown	Low coolant level	Add coolant if needed. Allow engine to cool, then check coolant level in radiator. Restart engine and check coolant temperature (on controller). Stop engine immediately if coolant temperature is 210 °F (99 °C) or higher.
	Blockage in radiator	Check radiator shroud and ducting for blockage and remove any foreign matter.
	Leakage in coolant hoses, engine block, or water pump	<ul> <li>Inspect for visible leaks. Check tension of water pump serpentine drive belt.</li> <li>Remove load on generator and restart engine. Check coolant temperature and shut down engine immediately if it starts to overheat. See the OEM engine operator's manual for additional information on engine overheating.</li> </ul>
Overcrank shutdown	Fuel level low	<ul> <li>Check fuel level in tank.</li> <li>Check fuel pump operation.</li> <li>Check air filter for blockage.</li> <li>See the OEM engine operator's manual for additional information.</li> </ul>

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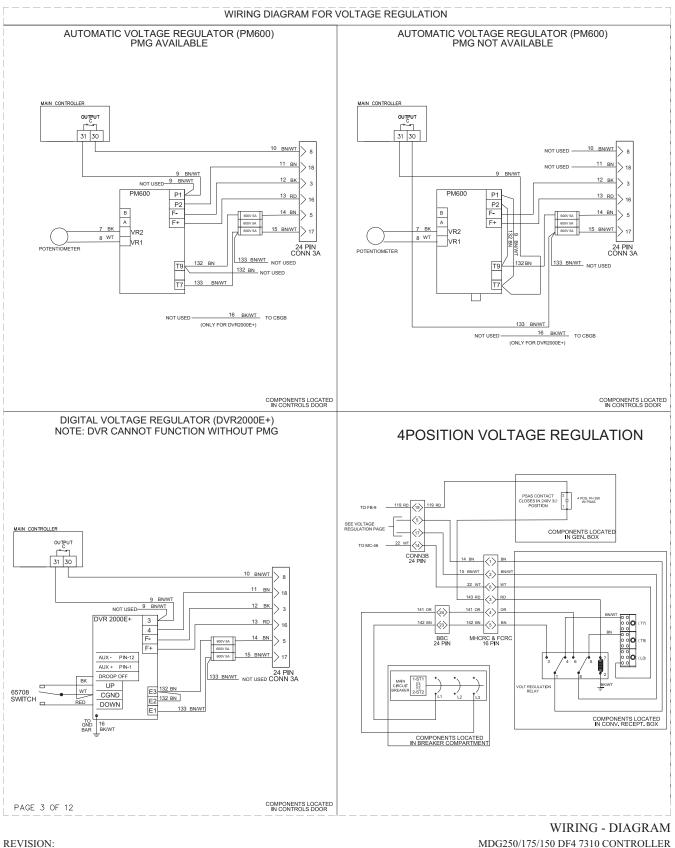
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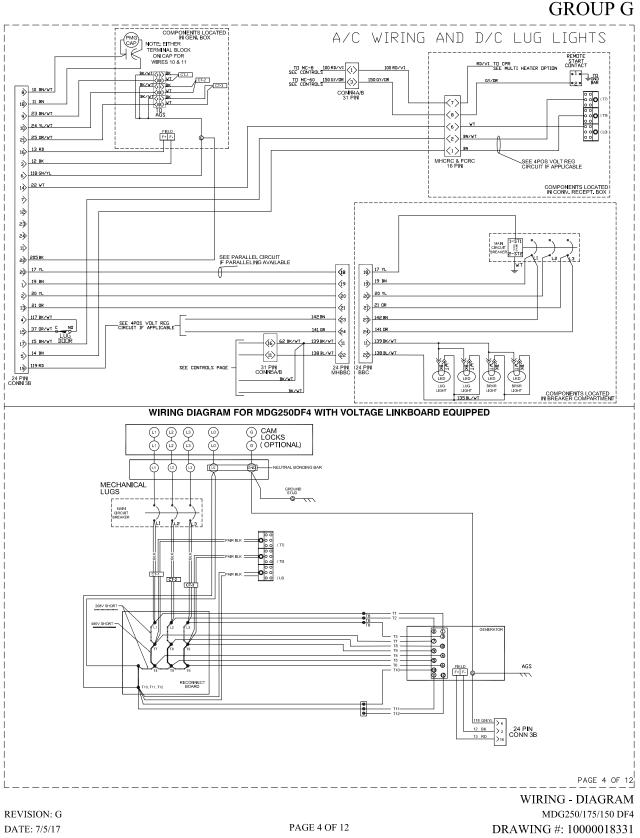
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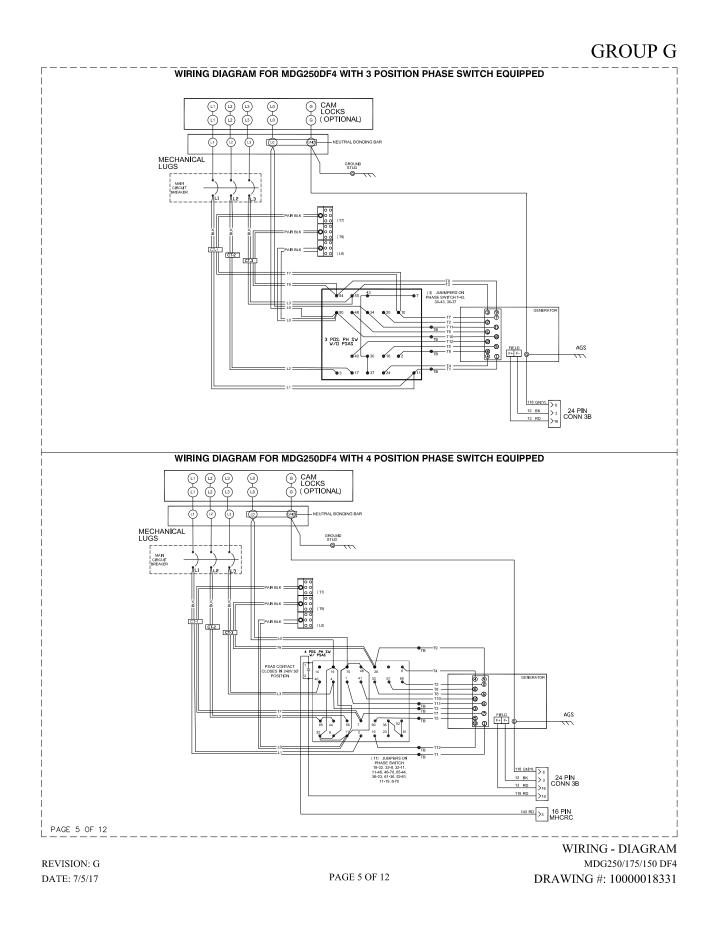


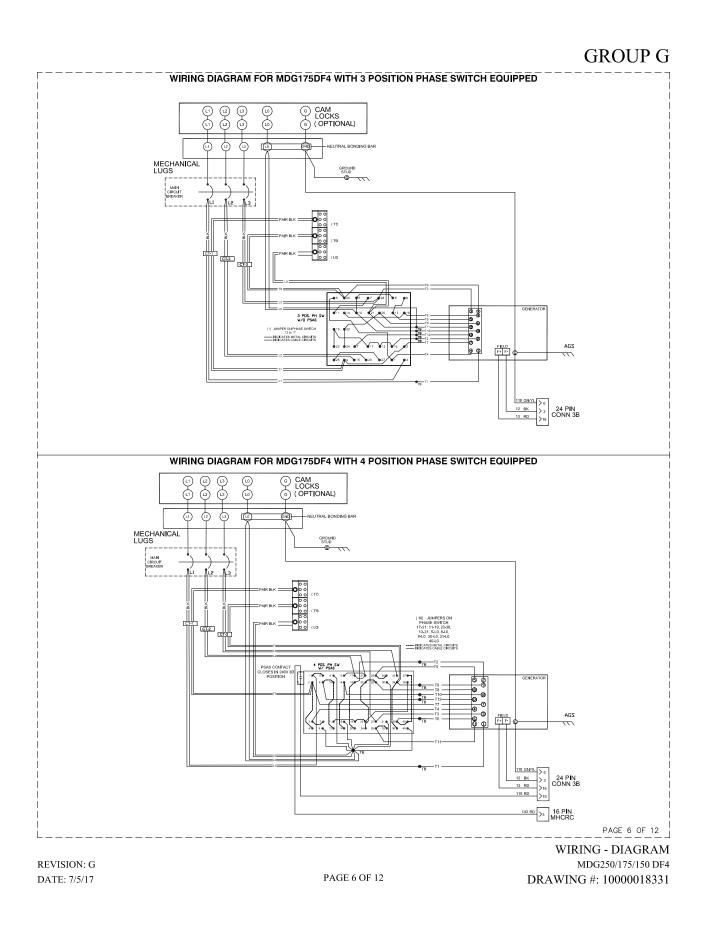
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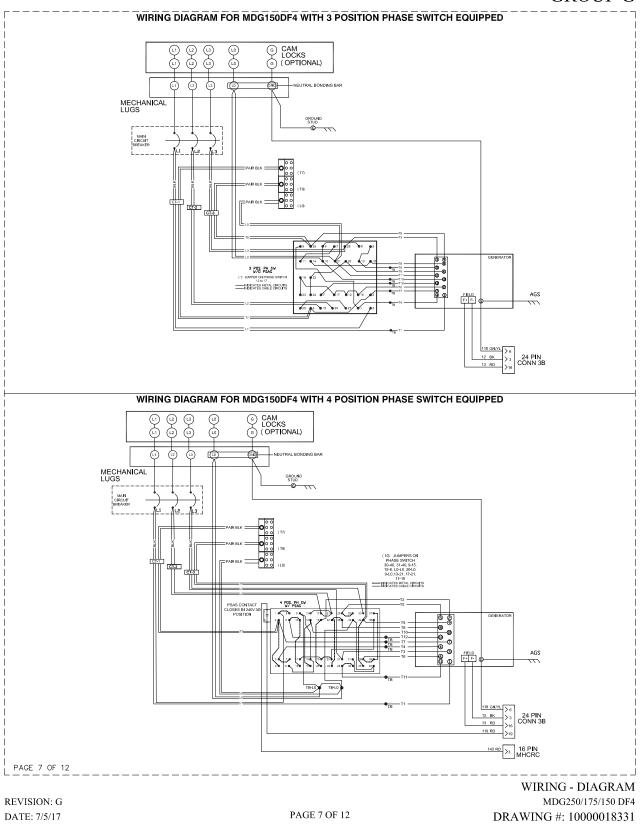
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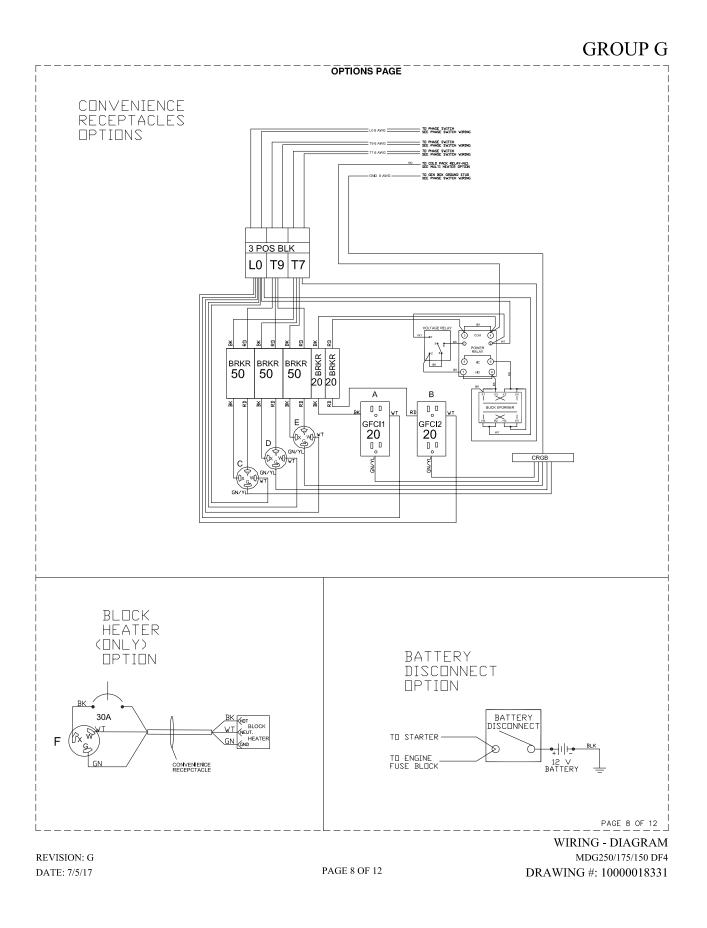




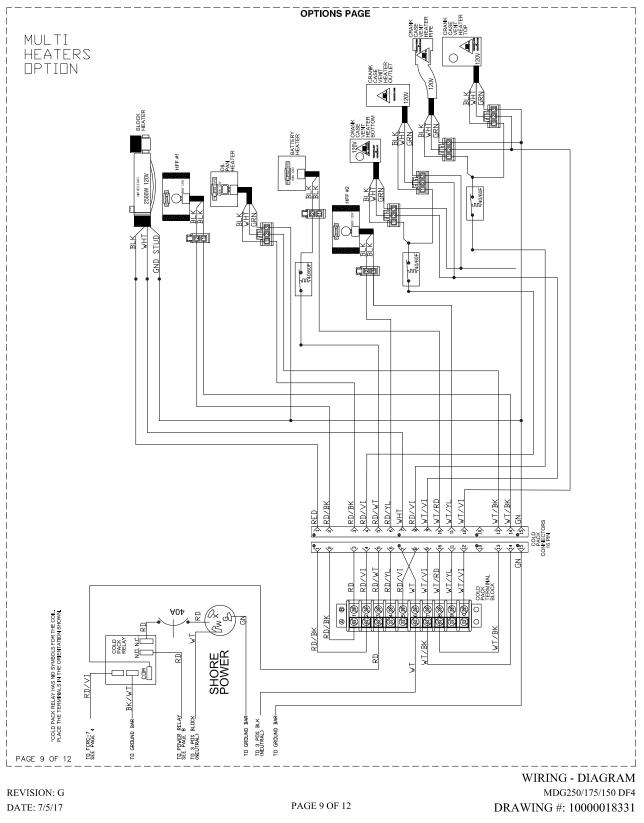


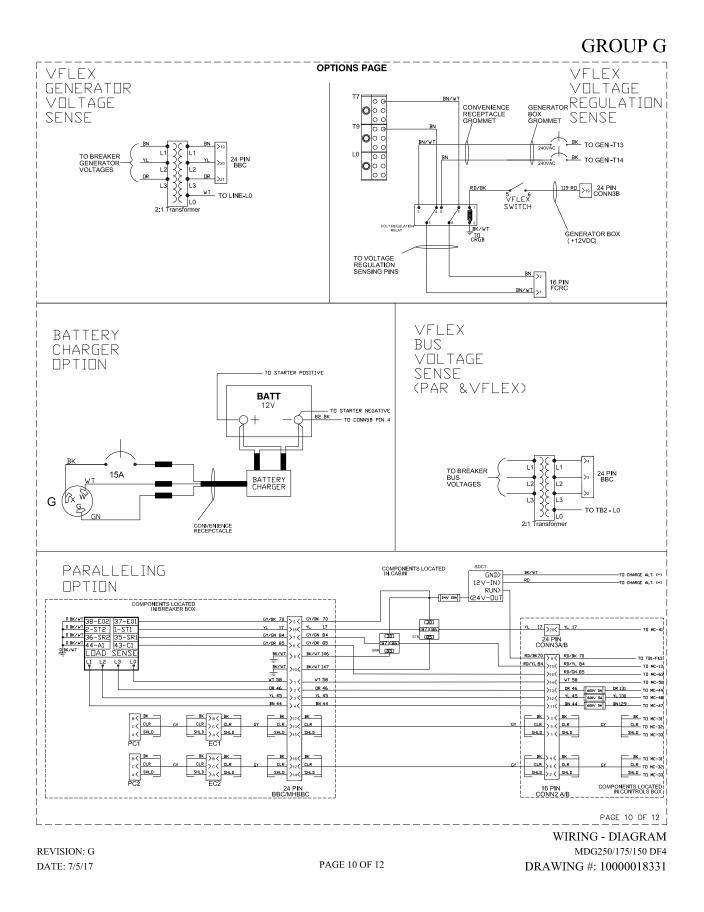
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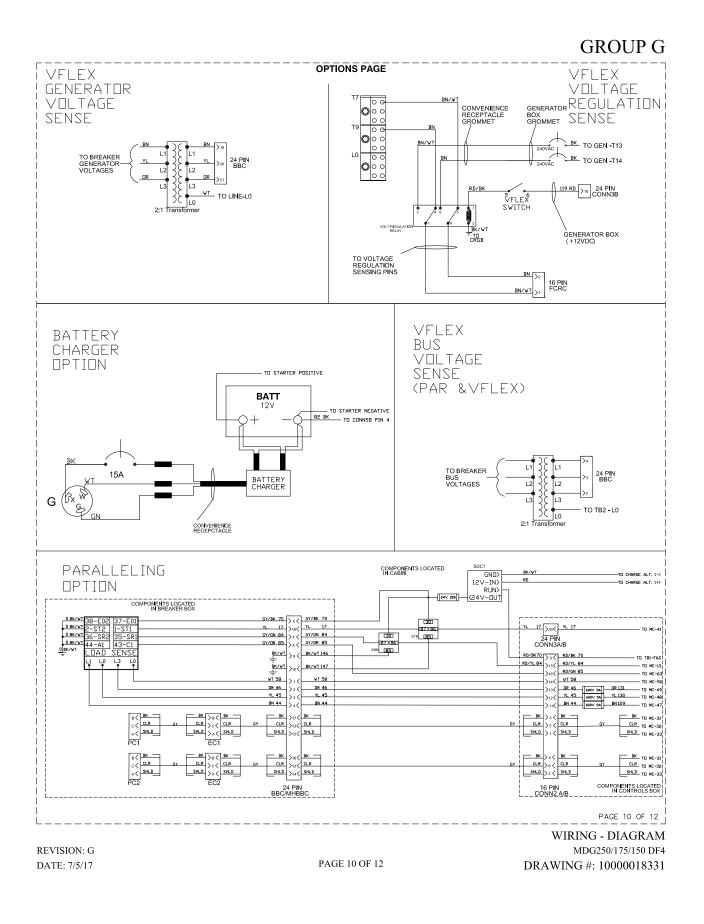


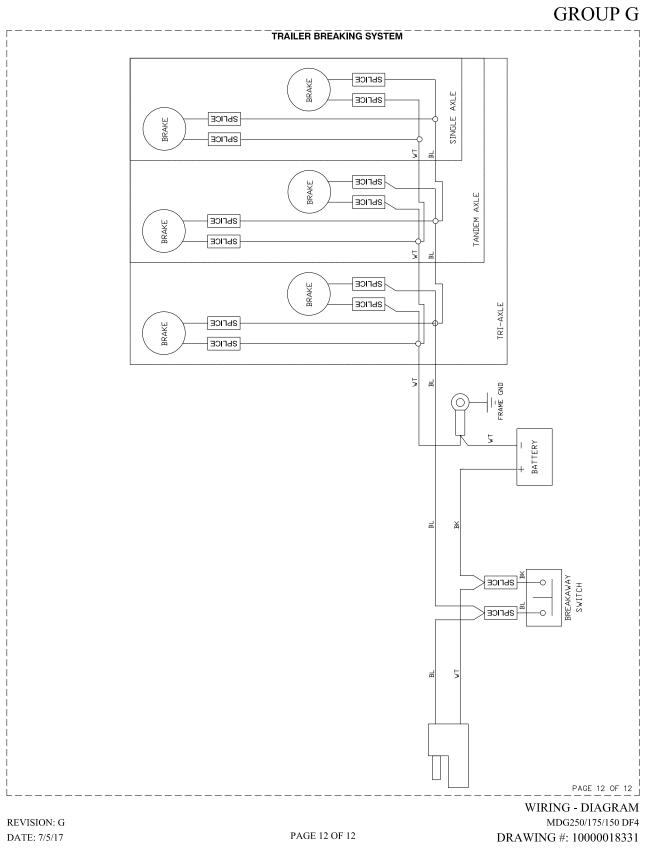


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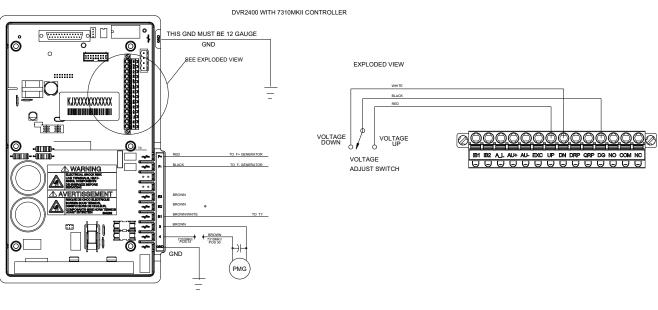




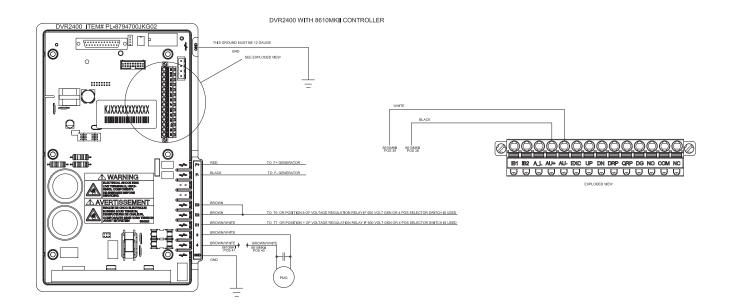




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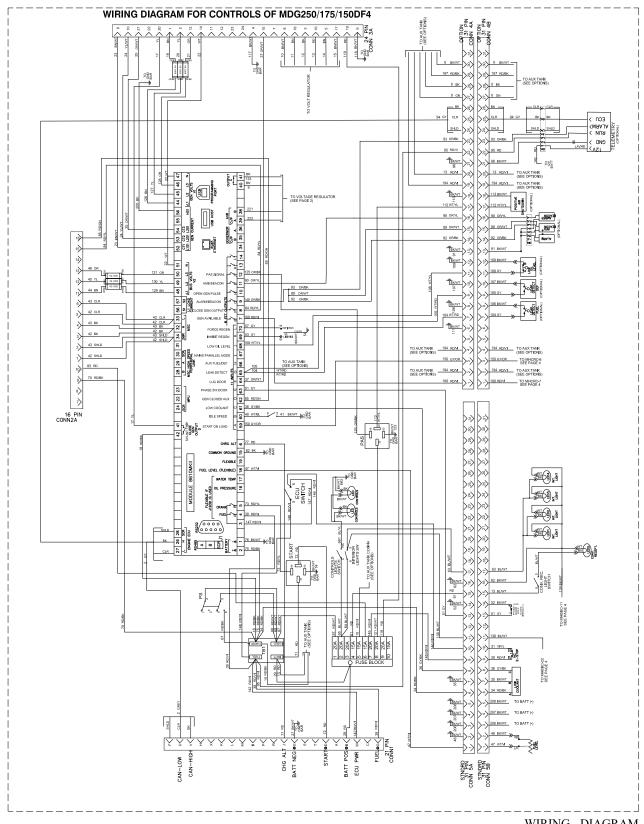


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# Reporting Safety Defects to the United States Government

If you believe your trailer has a defect which could cause a crash or could cause injury or death, you should immediately inform the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) in addition to notifying Generac Mobile.

If NHTSA receives similar complaints, it may open an investigation; and if it finds that a safety defect exists in a group of vehicles, it may order a recall and remedy campaign. However, NHTSA cannot become involved in an individual problem between you, your GMASD, or Generac Mobile.

To contact NHTSA, you may either call the Auto Safety Hotline toll-free at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY:1-800-424-9153), go to *http://www.safercar.gov*; or write to:

Administrator NHTSA 400 Seventh Street, SW. Washington, DC 20590

You can also obtain other information about motor vehicle safety from *http://www.safercar.gov*.

### **Tire Safety Information**

The following section contains tire safety information as required by 49 CFR 575.6. It will cover the following:

- Tire labeling, including a description and explanation of each marking on tires provided with the vehicle, and information about the location of the Tire Identification Number (TIN);
- Recommended tire inflation pressure, including a description and explanation of:
  - Recommended cold tire inflation pressure,
  - The vehicle placard and tire inflation pressure label and their location in the vehicle
  - Adverse safety consequences of underinflations (including tire failure), and
  - Measuring and adjusting air pressure to achieve proper inflation;
- Glossary of tire terminology, including "cold tire pressure", "maximum inflation pressure," and "recommended inflation pressure," and other non-technical terms;
- Tire care, including maintenance and safety practices;
- Vehicle load limits, including a description and explanation of:
- Locating and understanding load limit information, total load capacity, seating capacity, towing capacity, and cargo capacity,

- Calculating total and cargo load capacities with varying seating configurations including quantitative examples showing/illustrating how the vehicle's cargo and luggage capacity decreases as the combined number and size of occupants increases,
- Determining compatibility of tire and vehicle load capabilities,
- Adverse safety consequences of overloading on handling and stopping and on tires.

## Steps for Determining Correct Load Limit – Trailer

Determining the load limits of a trailer includes more than understanding the load limits of the tires alone. On all trailers there is a Federal certification / VIN label that is located on the forward half of the left (road) side of the unit. This certification / VIN label will indicate the trailer's Gross Vehicle Weight Rating (GVWR). This is the most weight the fully loaded trailer can weigh. It will also provide the Gross Axle Weight Rating (GAWR). This is the most a particular axle can weigh. If there are multiple axles, the GAWR of each axle will be provided.

If your trailer has a GVWR of 10,000 pounds or less, there is a vehicle placard located in the same location as the certification label described above. This placard provides tire and loading information. In addition, this placard will show a statement regarding maximum cargo capacity. Cargo can be added to the trailer, up to the maximum weight specified on the placard. The combined weight of the cargo is provided as a single number. In any case, remember: the total weight of a fully loaded trailer cannot exceed the stated GVWR.

For trailers with living quarters installed, the weight of water and propane also need to be considered. The weight of fully filled propane containers is considered part of the weight of the trailer before it is loaded with cargo, and is not considered part of the disposable cargo load. Water, however, is a disposable cargo weight and is treated as such. If there is a fresh water storage tank of 100 gallons, this tank when filled would weigh about 800 pounds. If more cargo is being transported, water can be off-loaded to keep the total amount of cargo added to the vehicle within the limits of the GVWR so as not to overload the vehicle. Understanding this flexibility will allow you, the owner, to make choices that fit your travel needs.

When loading your cargo, be sure it is distributed evenly to prevent overloading front to back and side to side. Heavy items should be placed low and as close to the axle positions as reasonable. Too many items on one side may overload a tire. The best way to know the actual weight of the vehicle is to weigh it at a public scale. Talk to your dealer to discuss the weighing methods needed to capture the various weights related to the trailer. This would include the weight empty or unloaded, weights per axle, wheel, hitch or king-pin, and total weight.

Excessive loads and/or underinflation cause tire overloading and, as a result, abnormal tire flexing occurs. This situation can generate an excessive amount of heat within the tire. Excessive heat may lead to tire failure. It is the air pressure that enables a tire to support the load, so proper inflation is critical. The proper air pressure may be found on the certification / VIN label and/or on the Tire Placard. This value should never exceed the maximum cold inflation pressure stamped on the tire.

#### Trailers 10,000 lbs (4,536 kg) GVWR or Less

- 1. Locate the statement "The weight of cargo should never exceed XXX kg or XXX lbs." on your vehicle's placard.
- **2.** This figure equals the available amount of cargo and luggage load capacity.
- Determine the combined weight of luggage and cargo being loaded on the vehicle. That weight may not safely exceed the available cargo and luggage load capacity.

#### Trailers over 10,000 lbs (4,536 kg) GVWR

**NOTE:** These trailers are not required to have a tire information placard on the vehicle.

- **4.** Determine the empty weight of your trailer by weighing the trailer using a public scale or other means. This step does not have to be repeated.
- 5. Locate the GVWR of the trailer on your trailer's VIN (Certification) label.
- 6. Subtract the empty weight of your trailer from the GVWR stated on the VIN label. That weight is the maximum available cargo capacity of the trailer and may not be safely exceeded.

## Steps for Determining Correct Load Limit – Tow Vehicle

- 1. Locate the statement "The combined weight of occupants and cargo should never exceed XXX kg or XXX lbs." on your vehicle's placard.
- **2.** Determine the combined weight of the driver and passengers that will be riding in your vehicle.
- **3.** Subtract the combined weight of the driver and passengers from XXX kg or XXX lbs.
- 4. The resulting figure equals the available amount of cargo and luggage load capacity. For example, if the "XXX" amount equals 1400 lbs. and there will be five 150 lb passengers in your vehicle, the amount of available cargo and luggage load capacity is 650 lbs. (1400-750 (5x150) = 650 lbs.)

- **5.** Determine the combined weight of luggage and cargo being loaded on the vehicle. That weight may not safely exceed the available cargo and luggage load capacity calculated in Step 4.
- **6.** If your vehicle will be towing a trailer, load from your trailer will be transferred to your vehicle. Consult the tow vehicle's manual to determine how this reduces the available cargo and luggage load capacity of your vehicle.

#### Glossary of Tire Terminology

<u>Accessory weight</u> means the combined weight (in excess of those standard items which may be replaced) of automatic transmission, power steering, power brakes, power windows, power seats, radio, and heater, to the extent that these items are available as factory-installed equipment (whether installed or not).

<u>Bead</u> means the part of the tire that is made of steel wires, wrapped or reinforced by ply cords and that is shaped to fit the rim.

<u>Bead separation</u> means a breakdown of the bond between components in the bead.

<u>Bias ply tire</u> means a pneumatic tire in which the ply cords that extend to the beads are laid at alternate angles substantially less than 90 degrees to the centerline of the tread.

<u>Carcass</u> means the tire structure, except tread and sidewall rubber which, when inflated, bears the load.

<u>Chunking</u> means the breaking away of pieces of the tread or sidewall.

<u>Cord</u> means the strands forming the plies in the tire.

<u>Cord separation</u> means the parting of cords from adjacent rubber compounds.

<u>Cracking</u> means any parting within the tread, sidewall, or inner liner of the tire extending to cord material.

<u>Curb weight</u> means the weight of a motor vehicle with standard equipment including the maximum capacity of fuel, oil, and coolant, and, if so equipped, air conditioning and additional weight optional engine.

<u>Cold inflation pressure</u> means the tire pressure when the vehicle hasn't been driven for at least three hours.

<u>Extra load tire</u> means a tire designed to operate at higher loads and higher inflation pressure than the corresponding standard tire.

<u>Groove</u> means the space between two adjacent tread ribs.

<u>Gross Axle Weight Rating or GAWR</u> means the value specified by the vehicle manufacturer as the loadcarrying capacity of a single axle system, as measure at the tire-ground interfaces.

<u>Gross Vehicle Weight Rating or GVWR</u> means the value specified by the manufacturer as the loaded weight of a single vehicle.

<u>Hitch weight</u> means the downward force exerted on the hitch ball by the trailer coupler.

<u>Innerliner</u> means the layer(s) forming the inside surface of a tubeless tire that contains the inflating medium within the tire.

<u>Innerliner separation</u> means the parting of the innerliner cord material in the carcass.

<u>Light truck (LT) tire</u> means a tire designated by its manufacturer as primarily intended for use on lightweight trucks or multipurpose passenger vehicles.

<u>Load rating</u> means the maximum load that a tire is rated to carry for a given inflation pressure.

<u>Maximum load rating</u> means the load rating for a tire at the maximum permissible inflation pressure for that tire.

<u>Maximum permissible inflation pressure</u> means the maximum cold inflation pressure to which a tire may be inflated.

<u>Maximum loaded vehicle weight</u> means the sum of (a) Curb weight; (b) Accessory weight; (c) Vehicle capacity weight; and (d) Production options weight.

<u>Measuring rim</u> means the rim on which a tire is fitted for physical dimension requirements.

<u>Non-pneumatic rim</u> means a mechanical device which, when a non-pneumatic tire assembly incorporates a wheel, supports the tire, and attaches, either integrally or separably, to the wheel center member and upon which the tire is attached.

<u>Non-pneumatic spare tire assembly</u> means a nonpneumatic tire assembly intended for temporary use in place of one of the pneumatic tires and rims that are fitted to a passenger car in compliance with the requirements of this standard.

<u>Non-pneumatic tire</u> means a mechanical device which transmits, either directly or through a wheel or wheel center member, the vertical load and tractive forces from the roadway to the vehicle, generates the tractive forces that provide the directional control of the vehicle and does not rely on the containment of any gas or fluid for providing those functions.

<u>Non-pneumatic tire assembly</u> means a non-pneumatic tire, alone or in combination with a wheel or wheel center member, which can be mounted on a vehicle.

<u>Normal occupant weight</u> means 68 kilograms (150 lbs.) times the number of occupants specified in the second column of Table I of 49 CFR 571.110.

<u>Occupant distribution</u> means distribution of occupants in a vehicle as specified in the third column of Table I of 49 CFR 571.110.

<u>Open splice</u> means any parting at any junction of tread, sidewall, or innerliner that extends to cord material.

<u>Outer diameter</u> means the overall diameter of an inflated new tire.

<u>Overall width</u> means the linear distance between the exteriors of the sidewalls of an inflated tire, including elevations due to labeling, decorations, or protective bands or ribs.

<u>Passenger car tire</u> means a tire intended for use on passenger cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles, and trucks, that have a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) of 10,000 pounds or less.

<u>Pin weight</u> means the downward force applied to the 5th wheel or gooseneck ball, by the trailer kingpin or gooseneck coupler.

<u>Ply</u> means a layer of rubber-coated parallel cords.

<u>Ply separation</u> means a parting of rubber compound between adjacent plies.

<u>Pneumatic tire</u> means a mechanical device made of rubber, chemicals, fabric and steel or other materials, that, when mounted on an automotive wheel, provides the traction and contains the gas or fluid that sustains the load.

<u>Production options weight</u> means the combined weight of those installed regular production options weighing over 2.3 kilograms in excess of those standard items which they replace, not previously considered in curb weight or accessory weight, including heavy duty brakes, ride levelers, roof rack, heavy duty battery, and special trim.

<u>Radial ply tire</u> means a pneumatic tire in which the ply cords that extend to the beads are laid at substantially 90 degrees to the centerline of the tread.

<u>Recommended inflation pressure</u> means the proper Cold Inflation Pressure as shown on the Tire Information label.

<u>Reinforced tire</u> means a tire designed to operate at higher loads and at higher inflation pressures than the corresponding standard fire.

<u>Rim</u> means a metal support for a tire or a tire and tube assembly upon which the tire beads are seated.

<u>Rim diameter</u> means nominal diameter of the bead seat.

<u>Rim size designation</u> means rim diameter and width.

<u>Rim type designation</u> means the industry of manufacturer's designation for a rim by style or code.

<u>Rim width</u> means nominal distance between rim flanges.

<u>Section width</u> means the linear distance between the exteriors of the sidewalls of an inflated tire, excluding elevations due to labeling, decoration, or protective bands.

<u>Sidewall</u> means that portion of a tire between the tread and bead.

<u>Sidewall separation</u> means the parting of the rubber compound from the cord material in the sidewall.

<u>ST tire</u> means a tire designed for use only on trailers drawn on a road.

 $\underline{\text{Test rim}}$  means the rim on which a tire is fitted for testing, and may be any rim listed as appropriate for use with that tire.

<u>Tread</u> means that portion of a tire that comes into contact with the road.

<u>Tread rib</u> means a tread section running circumferentially around a tire.

<u>Tread separation</u> means pulling away of the tread from the tire carcass.

<u>Treadwear indicators (TWI)</u> means the projections within the principal grooves designed to give a visual indication of the degrees of wear on the tread.

<u>Vehicle capacity weight</u> means the rated cargo and luggage load plus 68 kilograms times the vehicle's designated seating capacity.

<u>Vehicle maximum load on the tire</u> means that load on an individual tire that is determined by distributing to each axle its share of the maximum loaded vehicle weight and dividing by two.

<u>Vehicle normal load on the tire</u> means that load on an individual tire that is determined by distributing to each axle its share of the curb weight, accessory weight, and normal occupant weight (distributed in accordance with Table I of 49 CFR 571.110) and dividing by two.

<u>Wheel center member</u> means, in the case of a nonpneumatic tire assembly incorporating a wheel, a mechanical device which attaches, either integrally or separably, to the nonpneumatic rim and provides the connection between the nonpneumatic rim and the vehicle; or in the case of a nonpneumatic tire assembly not incorporating a wheel, a mechanical device which attaches, either integrally or separably, to the nonpneumatic tire and provides the connection between the tire and the vehicle.

<u>Wheel-holding fixture</u> means the fixture used to hold the wheel and tire assembly securely during testing.

#### **Tire Safety**

The National Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has published a brochure (DOT HS 809 361) that discusses all aspects of Tire Safety, as required by 49 CFR 575.6. This brochure is reproduced in part below. It can be obtained and downloaded from NHTSA, free of charge, from the following website:

#### http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/rules/TireSafety/ ridesonit/tires\_index.html

Studies of tire safety show that maintaining proper tire pressure, observing tire and vehicle load limits (not carrying more weight in your vehicle than your tires or vehicle can safely handle), avoiding road hazards, and inspecting tires for cuts, slashes, and other irregularities are the most important things you can do to avoid tire failure, such as tread separation or blowout and flat tires. These actions, along with other care and maintenance activities, can also:

- Improve vehicle handling
- Help protect you and others from avoidable breakdowns and accidents

- Improve fuel economy
- Increase the life of your tires

This booklet presents a comprehensive overview of tire safety, including information on the following topics:

- Basic tire maintenance
- Uniform Tire Quality Grading System
- Fundamental characteristics of tires
- Tire safety tips

Use this information to make tire safety a regular part of your vehicle maintenance routine. Recognize that the time you spend is minimal compared with the inconvenience and safety consequences of a flat tire or other tire failure.

#### **Basic Tire Maintenance**

Properly maintained tires improve the steering, stopping, traction, and load-carrying capability of your vehicle. Underinflated tires and overloaded vehicles are a major cause of tire failure. Therefore, as mentioned above, to avoid flat tires and other types of tire failure, you should maintain proper tire pressure, observe tire and vehicle load limits, avoid road hazards, and regularly inspect your tires.

## Finding Your Vehicle's Recommended Tire Pressure And Load Limits

Tire information placards and vehicle certification labels contain information on tires and load limits. These labels indicate the vehicle manufacturer's information including:

- Recommended tire size
- Recommended tire inflation pressure
- Vehicle capacity weight (VCW the maximum occupant and cargo weight a vehicle is designed to carry)
- Front and rear gross axle weight ratings (GAWR the maximum weight the axle systems are designed to carry)

Both placards and certification labels are permanently attached to the trailer near the left front.

#### Understanding Tire Pressure And Load Limits

Tire inflation pressure is the level of air in the tire that provides it with load-carrying capacity and affects the overall performance of the vehicle. The tire inflation pressure is a number that indicates the amount of air pressure – measured in pounds per square inch (psi) – a tire requires to be properly inflated. (You will also find this number on the vehicle information placard expressed in kilopascals (kpa), which is the metric measure used internationally.)

Manufacturers of passenger vehicles and light trucks determine this number based on the vehicle's design load limit, that is, the greatest amount of weight a vehicle can safely carry and the vehicle's tire size. The proper tire pressure for your vehicle is referred to as the "recommended cold inflation pressure." (As you will read below, it is difficult to obtain the recommended tire pressure if your tires are not cold.)

Because tires are designed to be used on more than one type of vehicle, tire manufacturers list the "maximum permissible inflation pressure" on the tire sidewall. This number is the greatest amount of air pressure that should ever be put in the tire under normal driving conditions.

#### **Checking Tire Pressure**

It is important to check your vehicle's tire pressure at least once a month for the following reasons:

- Most tires may naturally lose air over time.
- Tires can lose air suddenly if you drive over a pothole or other object or if you strike the curb when parking.
- With radial tires, it is usually not possible to determine underinflation by visual inspection.

For convenience, purchase a tire pressure gauge to keep in your vehicle. Gauges can be purchased at tire dealerships, auto supply stores, and other retail outlets.

The recommended tire inflation pressure that vehicle manufacturers provide reflects the proper psi when a tire is cold. The term cold does not relate to the outside temperature. Rather, a cold tire is one that has not been driven on for at least three hours.

When you drive, your tires get warmer, causing the air pressure within them to increase. Therefore, to get an accurate tire pressure reading, you must measure tire pressure when the tires are cold or compensate for the extra pressure in warm tires.

#### Steps For Maintaining Proper Tire Pressure

- 1. Locate the recommended tire pressure on the vehicle's tire information placard, certification label, or in the owner's manual.
- 2. Record the tire pressure of all tires.
- **3.** If the tire pressure is too high in any of the tires, slowly release air by gently pressing on the tire valve stem with the edge of your tire gauge until you get to the correct pressure.
- 4. If the tire pressure is too low, note the difference between the measured tire pressure and the correct tire pressure. These "missing" pounds of pressure are what you will need to add.
- **5.** At a service station, add the missing pounds of air pressure to each tire that is underinflated.
- 6. Check all the tires to make sure they have the same air pressure (except in cases in which the front and rear tires are supposed to have different amounts of pressure).

If you have been driving your vehicle and think that a tire is underinflated, fill it to the recommended cold inflation pressure indicated on your vehicle's tire information placard or certification label. While your tire may still be slightly underinflated due to the extra pounds of pressure in the warm tire, it is after to drive with air pressure that is slightly lower than the vehicle manufacturer's recommended cold inflation pressure than to drive with a significantly underinflated tire. Since this is a temporary fix, don't forget to recheck and adjust the tire's pressure when you can obtain a cold reading.

#### Tire Size

To maintain tire safety, purchase new tires that are the same size as the vehicle's original tires or another size recommended by the manufacturer. Look at the tire information placard, the owner's manual, or the sidewall of the tire you are replacing to find this information. If you have any doubt about the correct size to choose, consult with the tire dealer.

#### Tire Tread

The tire tread provides the gripping action and traction that prevent your vehicle from slipping or sliding, especially when the road is wet or icy. In general, tires are not safe and should be replaced when the tread is worn down to 1/16 of an inch. Tires have built-in treadwear indicators that let you know when it is time to replace your tires. These indicators are raised sections spaced intermittently in the bottom of the tread grooves. When they appear "even" with the outside of the tread, it is time to replace your tires. Another method for checking tread depth is to place a penny in the tread with Lincoln's head upside down and facing you. If you can see the top of Lincoln's head, you are ready for new tires.

#### **Tire Balance And Wheel Alignment**

To avoid vibration or shaking of the vehicle when a tire rotates, the tire must be properly balanced. This balance is achieved by positioning weights on the wheel to counterbalance heavy spots on the wheel-and-tire assembly. A wheel alignment adjusts the angles of the wheels so that they are positioned correctly relative to the vehicle's frame. These adjustments require special equipment and should be performed by a qualified technician.

#### Tire Repair

The proper repair of a punctured tire requires a plug for the hole and a patch for the area inside the tire that surrounds the puncture hole. Punctures through the tread can be repaired if they are not too large, but punctures to the sidewall should not be repaired. Tires must be removed from the rim to be properly inspected before being plugged and patched.

#### **Tire Fundamentals**

Federal law requires tire manufacturers to place standardized information on the sidewall of all tires. This information identifies and describes the fundamental characteristics of the tire and also provides a tire identification number for safety standard certification and in case of a recall.

#### Information on Passenger Vehicle Tires

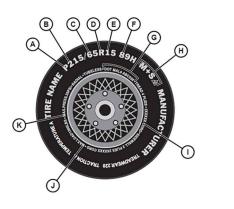


Figure 7-1. Passenger Vehicle Tires

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А	"P" indicates the tire is for passenger vehicles.
В	This three-digit number gives the width in millime- ters of the tire from sidewall edge to sidewall edge. In general, the larger the number, the wider the tire.
С	This two-digit number, known as the aspect ratio, gives the tire's ratio of height to width. Numbers of 70 or lower indicate a short sidewall for improved steering response and better overall handling on dry pavement.
D	"R" stands for radial. Radial ply construction of tires has been the industry standard for the past 20 years.
E	This two-digit number is the wheel or rim diameter in inches. If you change your wheel size, you will have to purchase new tires to match the new wheel diameter.
F	(Number) This two- or three-digit number is the tire's load index. It is a measurement of how much weight each tire can support. You may find this information in your owner's manual. If not, contact a local tire dealer.
	<b>NOTE:</b> You may not find this information on all tires because it is not required by law.
	(Letter) The speed rating denotes the speed at which a tire is designed to be driven for extended periods of time. The ratings range from 99 miles per hour (mph) to 186 mph. These ratings are listed below.
	<b>NOTE:</b> You may not find this information on all tires because it is not required by law.
	<b>NOTE:</b> See <i>Figure 7-1</i> for complete list of letter and speed ratings.

- G U.S. DOT Tire Identification Number. This begins with the letters "DOT" and indicates that the tire meets all federal standards. The next two numbers or letters are the plant code where it was manufactured, and the last four numbers represent the week and year the tire was built. For example, the numbers 3197 means the 31st week of 1997. The other numbers are marketing codes used at the manufacturer's discretion. This information is used to contact consumers if a tire defect requires a recall. H The "M+S" or "M/S" indicates that the tire has some mud and snow capability. Most radial tires have these markings; hence, they have some mud and snow capability. Tire Ply Composition and Materials Used. The number of plies indicates the number of layers of rubber-coated fabric in the tire. In general, the greater the number of plies, the more weight a tire can support. Tire manufacturers also must indicate the materials in the tire, which include steel, nylon, polyester, and others. Maximum Load Rating. This number indicates the J
- J Maximum Load Rating. This number indicates the maximum load in kilograms and pounds that can be carried by the tire.
- K Maximum Permissible Inflation Pressure. This number is the greatest amount of air pressure that should ever be put in the tire under normal driving conditions.

#### Table 7-1. Tire Letter and Speed Rating

Letter Rating	Speed Rating
Q	99 MPH
R	106 MPH
S	112 MPH
Т	118 MPH
U	124 MPH
Н	130 MPH
V	168 MPH
Y	186 MPH

**NOTE:** For tires with a maximum speed capability over 149 mph, tire manufacturers sometimes use the letters ZR. For those with a maximum speed capability over 186 mph, tire manufacturers always use the letters ZR.

#### Uniform Tire Quality Grading (UTQGS)

Quality grades can be found where applicable on the tire sidewall between tread shoulder and maximum section width. For example: TREADWEAR 200 TRACTION AA.

#### **Temperature A**

Additional Information on Light Truck Tires

All passenger car tires must conform to federal safety requirements in addition to these grades.

#### Treadwear

The treadwear grade is a comparative rating based on the wear rate of the tire when tested under controlled conditions on a specified government test course. For example, a tire graded 150 would wear one and one-half (1.5) times as well on the government course as a tire graded 100. The relative performance of tires depends upon the actual conditions of their use, however, and may depart significantly from the norm due to variations in driving habits, service practices and differences in road characteristics and climate.

#### Traction

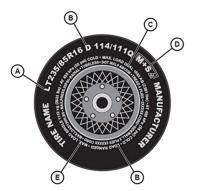
The traction grades, from highest to lowest, are AA, A, B, and C. Those grades represent the tire's ability to stop on wet pavement as measured under controlled conditions on specified government test surfaces of asphalt and concrete. A tire marked C may have poor traction performance.

**NOTE:** The traction grade assigned to this tire is based on straight-ahead braking traction tests, and does not include acceleration, cornering, hydroplaning, or peak traction characteristics.

#### Temperature

The temperature grades are A (the highest), B, and C, representing the tire's resistance to the generation of heat and its ability to dissipate heat when tested under controlled conditions on a specified indoor laboratory test wheel. Sustained high temperature can cause the material of the tire to degenerate and reduce tire life, and excessive temperature can lead to sudden tire failure. The grade C corresponds to a level of performance which all passenger car tires must meet under the Federal Motor Safety Standard No. 109. Grades B and A represent higher levels of performance on the laboratory test wheel than the minimum required by law.

**NOTE:** The temperature grade for this tire is established for a tire that is properly inflated and not overloaded. Excessive speed, under-inflation, or excessive loading, either separately or in combination, can cause heat buildup and possible tire failure.



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#### Figure 7-2. Light Truck Tires

A	The "LT" indicates the tire is for light trucks. An "ST" is an indication the tire is for trailer use only.
В	Load Range. This information identifies the tire's load-carrying capabilities and its inflation limits.
С	Maximum Load Dual. This information indicates the maximum load and tire pressure when the tire is used as a dual, that is, when four tires are put on each rear axle (a total of six or more tires on the vehicle).*
D	The "M+S" or "M/S" indicates that the tire has some mud and snow capability. Most radial tires have these markings; hence, they have some mud and snow capability.
Е	This information indicates the maximum load and tire pressure when the tire is used as a single.*
* M:	aximum load is presented in kilograms and pounds

\* Maximum load is presented in kilograms and pounds (kg/lbs). Maximum tire pressure is presented in kilopascals and pounds per square inch (kPa/psi) for when the tire is cold.

#### **Preventing Tire Damage**

- Slow down if you have to go over a pothole or other object in the road.
- Do not run over curbs of foreign objects in the roadway, and try not to strike the curb when parking.

#### **Tire Safety Checklist**

- Check tire pressure regularly (at least once a month), including the spare.
- Inspect tires for cracks, foreign objects, uneven wear patterns on the tread, or other signs of wear or trauma.
- Remove bits of glass and foreign objects wedged in the tread.
- Verify your tire valves have valve caps.
- Check tire pressure before going on a long trip.
- Do not overload your vehicle. Check the tire information placard or owner's manual for the maximum recommended load for the vehicle.

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